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CONGRESS-LEAGUE DEADLOCK COMPLETE

AZAD INSISTS ON TWO SEATS FROM MUSLIM MOIETY

Wavell May Try Again With Tripartite Conference

Maulana Says Everything Depends On Today's Meeting

(From Our Correspondent)

SIMLA, JUNE 28: THE CONGRESS LEAGUE DEADLOCK IS NOW COMPLETE. THE CONGRESS HAS TOTALLY DECLINED TO BUDGE FROM ITS OLD POSITION AND HAS INSISTED ON HAVING TWO SEATS FROM THE MUSLIM MOIETY FOR NON-LEAGUE MUSSALMANS. IT HAS FURTHER INSISTED THAT IT SHALL HAVE A VOICE IN NOMINATING PANELS FOR THE COUNCIL INCLUDING THE MUSLIM MOIETY. MR. JINNAH IS EQUALLY ADAMANT. HE HAS REFUSED TO SURRENDER EVEN ONE SEAT.

Linlithgow's Offer Recalled

In his two-hour interview with Lord Wavell yesterday, Mr. Jinnah is believed to have explained the Muslim League stand and referred to his correspondence with Lord Linlithgow in the course of which Lord Linlithgow made an offer to the League to nominate a panel for appointment to the Muslim moiety on the expanded Council. Mr. Jinnah had then declined the offer because, among other things, he had objected to the panel system and had demanded that his nominees should be appointed to the Council by Lord Linlithgow. The Viceroy having accepted the principle of accepting panel names from Mr. Jinnah in 1941 could not now take away that right from the League, it is believed to have been argued by Mr. Jinnah.

TO-DAY'S MEETING MOST CRUCIAL

To-morrow's Leaders' Conference, therefore, is expected to be the most crucial one. I may explain that the Conference to-morrow will be, called upon to decide the strength of the Executive Council, its composition and manner of submitting the panels. The first thing at to-morrow's Conference is expected to be that Pandit Pant and Mr. Jinnah will report to the Viceroy their failure to reach an agreement.

Knowledgeable persons hold that Lord Wavell will make another attempt to put through his plan. He did make one yesterday when he suggested that he, Mr. Jinnah and Maulana Azad might meet together to solve the tangle. Firstly, Lord Wavell might indicate the probable strength of the new council and also what minorities and interests shall be represented on it and what will be their respective strength. The Viceroy might, for instance, say that the new Executive will consist of 15-members including 14 Indians.

This, he might say, would give five seats each to the Hindus and Mussalmans, two to the Scheduled Castes, one to Sikhs and one to Parsees. Having done this, he might suggest that he would select his new team from the panels of names suggested to him and announce the personnel of his new Executive to the Conference before submitting them to the King for appointment. In case the Conference or any section of it disapproved of his selection, he would drop his plan.

PREMIERS TO SUGGEST PANELS.

Meanwhile, support is being canvassed to the plan under which panels be suggested by the Premiers of the Provinces in accordance with certain agreed principles. There has been a good deal of behind the—scenes activity to-day

Mr. Bhulabhai Desai, accompanied



Gandhiji snapped with Rani Amrit Kaur at Simla

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General Amnesty First Act Of New Executive

SIMLA, June 23, (U.P.I.): Talks in Congress circles indicate that although a general amnesty of the political prisoners has not been a condition precedent to acceptance of the Viceroy's plan, it will be one of first acts of the new Executive Council if it is formed on the basis of a settlement between major parties.

It is understood this amnesty would mean the release of all political prisoners including convicted prisoners, detenus, State prisoners and absconders.

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by Devidas Gandhi, had an interview with Mahatma Gandhi.

Maulana Azad arrived at Mahatma Gandhi's residence shortly after Mr. Bhulabhai Desai's arrival at 4-15 p.m. Mr. Desai left after half an hour, leaving Maulana Azad and Mahatma Gandhi together. Maulana

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Congress Attitude Is Constructive

I Am Doing My Best To Build Rather Than Destroy, Says Azad

SIMLA, June 28 (A.P.I.)—The Congress President Maulana Abul Kalam Azad has issued the following statement:

"It appears that there is in some circles misunderstanding of the Congress position which requires to be clarified.

I placed the invitation to the Simla Conference before the Congress Working Committee on June 21. After careful consideration the Working Committee decided that I should meet H.E. the Viceroy before the Conference and should myself participate in it and instruct other Congress invitees to attend, if, as a result of the preliminary meeting I felt it proper to do so.

I had the pleasure of meeting H.E. the Viceroy on the forenoon of June 24, and after obtaining clarification on some of the preliminary points I attended the Conference and am participating in its deliberations."

I am not attending the Conference in my personal capacity but on behalf of the Congress Working Committee. It has delegated to me full powers and authorised me to adopt such attitude as I may consider necessary in respect of the various problems that may arise.

It is, therefore, my concern to watch carefully the changes in the details and applications of the proffer and take decisions accordingly.

When all the details of the picture have been filled in I shall meet my colleagues of the Working Committee and place it before them for final decision. The question of calling the Congress Working Committee does not yet arise since that stage has not been reached.

If the Congress Working Committee has to be called immediately, I think, it will be more convenient to call it here. I have already requested all members to keep ready to start for an emergent meeting on notice. I think that an interval of four days will be enough to permit the Committee to meet here in Simla.

I am not at this stage in a position to say what the final decision of the Working Committee will be but I would like to make it clear once again so that there may be no room for doubt on the point, that the attitude of the Congress is constructive and not destructive."

"I am doing my best to build rather than destroy", says Maulana Abul Kalam Azad, Congress President, in a telegram to the Maharaja of Alwar.

The Maharaja has sent the following telegram to the Congress President. "The offer of His Majesty's Government is very generous. The Viceroy is most sincere and sympathetic. The proposals meet most of the country's demands. Very glad to know that you wish to look forward and not backward and that Congress desires to be constructive and helpful.

Hope your wise and statesmanlike guidance will bring about settlement of political impasse. If all parties agree to work together, an era of all-round advancement leading to self-government and a united and prosperous India within the British Commonwealth will ensue. This is a rare and golden opportunity and should not be missed in the interests of our motherland."

DACCA CONGRESSMAN RELEASED

DACCA, June 28. (A.P.I.): Mr. Munidra Nath Bhattacharjee, a former member of the All-India Congress Committee and a prominent Congress worker of Dacca district, who had been detained as a security prisoner in the Dacca Central Jail since October, 1942, has been released.

K. MADHAVA MENON RELEASED

MADRAS: The Government of Madras has issued orders for the immediate release, as the result of the periodical review of Mr. K. Madhava Menon, M.L.C., and other security prisoners detained in the Vellore and other jails in the province.

The released persons belong to Malabar, North Arcot and Cuddapah district and include Messrs. K. A. Damodara Menon, K. Kelappan, C. K. Govindan Nair, M.L.A., Karunakara Menon, M.L.A., Dr. P. Govindan Nair, Shamji Sunderdas and E. Moidu Moulvi.

ASSAM P.C.C. TO MEET

GAUHATI, (Assam) June 28. (A.P.I.): The Assam Provincial Congress Committee will meet at Nowgong in the third week of July after a lapse of three years to discuss the political situation in the country. Assam is the first province in India to lift the ban on the Congress.

HITLER COULD'NT SHOOT HIM DOWN



Thin and wan after long months of solitary confinement, LUTHERAN PASTOR NIEMOLLER, who defied Hitler at his Parish of Dhlem in Berlin, tells his story to Allied war correspondents after Allied troops had released him from the prison camp at ALB in the Alpine Mountain Dolomite Valley. He was one of 133 bold men and women of Europe who were imprisoned at this camp for defying Hitler. Secret orders for the execution of the most famous personalities among them had been issued days ago by the Gestapo. They were saved by the arrival of the Fifth Army troops.—U. S. O. W. I.

"Congress-Wallahs Not Decent Indians"

Do Tories Want To Rupture Indo-British Relations, Asks Indian In Reply To M. P.'s Libel

LONDON, June 28. (Reuter): Mr. D. M. Sen, Secretary of the Indian Journalists Writers Association Abroad, attacks Captain Quentin Hogg (Conservative candidate for Oxford City) for his alleged attitude towards the Congress.

In a letter to the "New Statesman and Nation", Mr. Sen says that Capt. Hogg was reported in the "Oxford Mail" of June 23 as saying that "by decent Indians he meant those who were comrades in the Army and not the Congress-wallahs who would have given up their country to the Japanese".

Mr. Sen comments: "This is of course a straightforward slander. Capt. Hogg is at present a junior Minister of the Crown. Through the Tory Reform Committee he wields a great deal of power among the Conservatives. He certainly would not, on his own initiative, deviate from the Tory policy towards India as laid down by Tory backroom committees. Is it then the Tory policy to consider the Congress as pro-Japanese when the very contrary is the case? And is it true that, if the Tories receive by any mischance a majority in the next Parliament, they will treat Congressmen as indecent Fascists and Quislings not fitted to sit on the Viceroy's Executive Council? The Congress is at the moment in conference with the Viceroy.

"Whatever the fate of the proposals now being discussed, which we understand owe much to the influence of the Labour Ministers in the Coalition Cabinet, if the spirit behind them is to be poisoned by the Tories as soon as they get into power, both Britain and India have the right know it. Do the Tories intend to break up the continuity of Britain's policy towards India and the Commonwealth?

"I have received many anxious inquiries on this point. As Congressmen are openly proclaimed by the Tories as indecent criminals and quislings, every vote for a Conservative must mean an additional vote for a policy of oppression in India".

Four Christian Youths Meet Watery Grave

MADRAS, June 28. (A. P. I.)—A sea bathing tragedy resulting in the death of four young men is reported from Vizagapatam. Five youths all below 25 years of age went for a sea bath opposite Hava Mahal last Sunday. Four of them, all members of a Christian family, met with a watery grave and the fifth who was washed ashore alive was removed to hospital where he has recovere.

L'Affaire Sgt. Holmes

Amery's Prompt Action: Indian High Commissioner's Apathy

(From Our Correspondent.)

LONDON, June 28.

Mr. Amery has been prompt in replying to a representation made to him regarding the alleged assault by Sergeant Holmes on Mr. Shankar Rao.

Dr. D. N. Dutt has received an official letter from India Office saying that the Secretary of State for India has forwarded his letter to the War Office with a strong representation that immediate investigations should be instituted and the findings reported to him forthwith.

The Commanding Officer, Yorkshire Regiment, has also informed Dr. Dutt he has forwarded Mr. Shankar Rao's complaint to Holmes' Adjutant and has assured Dr. Dutt that appropriate action will be taken against Sergeant Holmes in the charge of assaulting Mr. Shankar Rao was proved.

CONTRAST.

In contrast with steps taken by Mr. Amery and the Commanding Officer, it is to be noted that Sir Samuel Ranganathan, High Commissioner for India, has taken no step in the matter. He has demonstrated his subordinate role to the India Office by his reply to Dr. Dutt's representation.

The Indian High Commissioner has merely acknowledged receipt of Dr. Dutt's representation. He has refrained from saying what action he proposes to take on behalf of Mr. Shankar Rao whose interest as an Indian national, the High Commissioner is officially expected to look after.

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LUBLIN CABINET RESIGNS.

The Polish radio to-night announced the resignation of the Polish Lublin Cabinet. The present Lublin Prime Minister, M. Edward Osobka Moravski has formed the new Government.

NEW POLISH GOVERNMENT.

LONDON, June 28, (Reuter): The composition of a new Polish Government of national unity was announced to-night by the Warsaw Radio. Following are its members: Prime Minister Edward Osobka Moravski and Vice-Premier, Ladyslaw Gomolka.

Vice-Premier and Minister of Agriculture Stanislaw Mikolajczyk; National Defence Marshal, Michael Rola Zymierski, Foreign Affairs, Wincenty Rzymowski, Public Administration, Dr. Wladyslaw Kiernik, Public Security Stanislaw Radkiewicz. Treasury Konstanty Dombrovski and Industry, Hilary Minc.

JAP THREAT TO CANADIAN COAST.

LONDON, June 28, (Reuter): Ottawa Radio to-day said that Japanese Balloons and mines are still threatening the West coast of Canada. Military authorities are taking all precautions and have so far been able to prevent casualties among fishing craft and beach-goers.

"I Want To See This Plan Through"

With You Or Without You, Mr. Jinnah, Said Wavell?

(From Our Correspondent)

SIMLA, June 28: "With you or without you, Mr. Jinnah, I want to see these proposals through." This is what Lord Wavell is stated to have told Mr. Jinnah during the course of the interview which took place between the Viceroy and the League President last evening, according to circles which claim to be in close touch with the events connected with the Simla conference.

The above reflects the attitude which Lord Wavell is expected to take on Friday when the conference reassembles.

League circles hold that Mr. Jinnah is expected to make an important statement at the conference in order to intimate his decisions not to agree to let the Congress share in the nomination of any Muslim for the proposed Executive Council. It is expected that if and when Mr. Jinnah makes a statement, Lord Wavell would ask for a panel of names from the conference in order to enable him to make a selection of the new Executive Council in terms of his broadcast.

League circles here hold that Mr. Jinnah, before being a party to the submission of such a panel, would ask for an assurance that as far as the Muslim nominees are concerned the Viceroy should select men from Mr. Jinnah's panel only.

This assurance is not expected to be given by Lord Wavell If that happens Lord Wavell is expected to take up the attitude reflected in the observations which he is reported to have made to Mr. Jinnah last evening, the observation being "With you or without you, Mr. Jinnah."

Soong's Dash To Moscow

Reported Soviet Mediation In Chungking-Yenan Conflict

LONDON, June 28 (Reuter): Moscow radio reports to-day (Thursday) that the Chinese Premier Dr. T. V. Soong has left Chungking for Moscow.

Dr. T. V. Soong's visit to Moscow marks the second drastic reversal in his movements, cables John Kimche, Reuter's commentator on International Affairs.

That he should leave Chungking almost immediately after his arrival there from San Francisco is interpreted in well-informed London quarters as indicative of the deterioration of Chungking-Communist relations during the past three weeks.

It is believed that Russians will make it clear to the Chinese Prime Minister that they do not propose to interfere in the internal affairs of China, but that the Soviet Government is prepared to offer its good services to dedicate in the conflict between the Chinese Central Government of Chungking and the Communist regime of Yenan.

The Russians standpoint in the past has been to treat both the countries as independent of Chinese Central Governments whatever their post-war status may be.

JAP WAR MAY LAST MORE THAN 18 MONTHS, SAYS CHIANG

CHUNGKING June 28. (Reuter): Marshal Chiang Kai-Shek said at a Press conference here today that if the Japanese are to be defeated as thoroughly as Germany, the war might last more than 18 months.

He thought unconditional surrender unlikely, but in the event of it the time would be shorter.

The Generalissimo said he was greatly satisfied with the United States' military co-operation. But he urged increased economic aid to China.

CHINESE RETAKE LIUCHOW STATION

Six U. S. Landings In Marianas Without Firing A Shot

CHUNGKING, June 28, (U. P. A.): Chinese troops captured the railway station at Liuchow on June 25, a Chinese "communique" announced today. The "communique" added that a Japanese counter-attack in the south-eastern section of the city has been repulsed.

BLOODLESS LANDING.

GUAM, June 28. (U. P. A.): Without firing a shot, United States troops made six additional landings on small islands in the northern Marianas on reconnaissance missions in an effort to find possible emergency landing fields for planes returning from raids over Japan.

The troops went ashore at Anathan, Sarigan, Aimagan, Agrihan, Ascunsion and Maug for a look around and then returned to their bases.

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Alternative Proposals To Bombay Plan

Economic Backwardness Of India Is A Drag On Stability Of World Economy, Declares Dr. Thomas

LONDON, June 28. (Reuter): Alternative proposals to the Bombay Plan for raising the standard of living in India were put forward by Dr. Parekunnel Thomas, Economic Adviser to the Indian Delegation at the San Francisco Conference, in a paper read for him by Dr. M. Quereshi at a meeting of the East India Association at the Royal Society this afternoon.

There was no wonder that the economic development of India had attracted worldwide interest, said Dr. Thomas, For, any improvement in the welfare of the 400,000,000 people was bound to give a fillip to the economic activity of other countries by a steadily growing demand for imports from them.

The economic backwardness of India was a serious impediment to the active function of mass production in a highly industrialised world and was a drag on the stability of world economy.

So far, said Dr. Thomas, industrialisation of India had only aggravated unemployment. In a country like India, industrialisation could only be successfully carried out side by side with a comprehensive plan of economic development in which improvement of the agriculturalists' purchasing power and provision of public utilities were integral parts.

"Raising the living standards of the agriculturalists is of utmost importance", said Dr. Thomas, "because as more than 70 per cent of the population is connected with agriculture only by raising their purchasing power can an extension of the internal market desired by Indian industrialists be carried out.

Dr. Thomas suggested two avenues for increasing employment in agricultural areas. They were, a carefully planned system of small-scale industries especially handicrafts worked on a co-operative basis and large-scale irrigation works necessary if agriculture was to be independent of rainfall. Trade and transport services would also have to be expanded and the Bombay Plan fell short in its provision for these reforms.

"While the Bombay Plan aims at raising the living standards of the masses and makes provision for health agencies, schools and various public amenities, it does not envisage any substantial increase in the number of persons supplying these services. How then does the Bombay Plan propose to raise the living standards?" asks Dr. Thomas.

Answering the question, he said expansion of transport and trade would increase, markets would become active, new shopping areas would spring up and a great increase in employment would result, the effects of which would be cumulative. Not only unskilled workers would be required but technicians and intellectual workers would be wanted for skilled and managerial posts.

Dr. Thomas suggested expansion on the following lines:—Basic industries such as machine tools, agricultural machinery, basic chemicals and hydroelectric works; industries and activities for raising the economic equipment such as irrigation, roads, railways, slum clearance and building construction; agricultural improvement especially such activity as would lead to enhance rural purchasing power; and consumption goods industries to be pursued on a small scale without the use of elaborate machinery.

"Raising the standards of living should be the central objective of any long period plan", Dr. Thomas concluded, "and this can only be secured by fuller employment of labour and natural resources now lying idle. While industrial development and agricultural improvement are both essential, neither will give adequate employment to India's unemployed millions.

No doubt, small-scale methods will give extra employment, and this seems reasonable if pursued without unduly impairing efficiency, but the only proper solution is diversion of a much larger number of labourers to transport, trade and services which in advanced countries form the sheet anchor of full employment. A comprehensive plan of national development must be launched with special emphasis on public utilities. This will provide vast employment and pave the way for a rise in the living standards. Then can industrialisation step forward and absorb large numbers of labourers."

The meeting was held under the chairmanship of the High Commissioner for India, Sir Samuel Runganadhan.

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FEAR OF NEW CIVIL WAR

Greek Appeal To "Big Three" To Intervene

LONDON, June 27. (U.P.A.): The Greek News Agency, Maripress, today reported in a dispatch that the E.A.M. (left wing political party of the ELAS armed forces) has sent telegrams to President Truman, Prime Minister Churchill and Marshal Stalin stating that it will be impossible to avert the danger of a new civil war in Greece unless the 'Big Three' intervene and establish an inter Allied Commission to examine the situation.

"The resistance movement is being fiercely prosecuted by monarchist hands and by organizations armed and utilized by the invaders as well as by the army and police," the dispatch added.

LUCKNOW, June 28. (O.P.I.): The printer and publisher of "Lokvani", a local Hindi weekly was sentenced to pay fine of Rs. 200 or indefault to undergo 2 months R.I. for publishing paper from Lucknow without the sanction of the Central Government.



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Feeling Of Disquiet Regarding Future Of Indian Insurance

Sir C. V. Mehta's Speech At Annual Meeting Of New India Assurance Company

Statement by the Chairman, Sir Chunilal V. Mehta, K.C.S.I., to be presented at the 26th Ordinary General Meeting of the Company on the 28th June 1945.

Gentlemen,

I have pleasure in presenting to you the Report and the audited Statement of Accounts and Balance Sheet for the year ended 31st December, 1944.

In our fire department premium income has increased by nearly 3½ lakhs to Rs. 72,10,620 in spite of a shrinkage in the premiums derived from our operations in India. This set-back in our home field—the first for several years—can be traced to a falling off in insured values and to the increasing competition now felt from the many Insurance Companies recently floated throughout India.

The cost of claims which were met or provided for by the department equalled 36.5% of the year's premiums against 35.3% last year. This must be considered a particularly favourable experience having regard to the heavier losses than usual on our Indian business due, principally, to the fires caused by the explosions in the Bombay Docks last year. You will recollect that the Insurance Companies contributed 12½% towards the losses suffered by their fire policyholders.

The department, after bringing interest into account, returned a profit of Rs. 18,54,218. From the year's profit Rs. 2,00,000 has been merged into the additional reserve leaving Rs. 16,54,218 for transfer to Profit & Loss account.

The premium income in our Accident department closed at Rs. 14,10,987, a decrease on the premiums of 1943. This fall is mainly due to the cessation of certain business to which the war position alone had given rise and to reductions in some premium rates following an improved war situation.

Claims paid and outstanding totalled Rs. 5,67,626 equalling 40.2% of premiums against 41.3% last year.

The profit revealed by the department is Rs. 7,11,113, after crediting interest. We do not consider it necessary this year further to increase the additional reserve in this department and, therefore, the entire surplus of Rs. 7,11,113 has been transferred to Profit & Loss account.

A fall in premium income has been registered in our Marine department due to reductions in the rates charged to cover war risks, a further shrinkage in the business underwritten in London and keener local competition for business.

The cost of claims including provision for outstanding losses was Rs. 18,01,691 being 70.6% of the year's premiums as against 78.1% last year.

It is still too early to state the exact profit resulting from the operations of this department. The position has been very carefully analysed in the course of the lengthy negotiations proceeding with the authorities regarding the question of taxation of the profits from our marine underwriting, but the precise amount taxable is still not determined. The negotiations, however, have now gone far enough for us to form a fairly close estimate of our tax liability, and in order to make appropriate provision a sum of Rs. 10,00,000 has been transferred to Profit and Loss account. After this transfer the marine fund stands at Rs. 55,37,449.

Our Life Assurance department has again enjoyed a very active year. 17,417 policies were issued assuring approximately Rs. 607 lakhs against 11,515 policies assuring Rs. 454 lakhs in the previous year.

The average sum assured per policy fell off slightly, being Rs. 3,487 as compared with Rs. 3,945 last year. This is not a feature necessarily to be deplored. It indicates that life assurance is now coming within the reach of a widening section of the public.

The premium income of the department, inclusive of consideration for annuities granted, was Rs. 1,12,66,140 against Rs. 94,42,218 in the previous year.

Claims by death and disability cost the department Rs. 10,74,709 against Rs. 8,18,704 last year. This increase follows the expansion in the number of assurances on our books and is still well within the amount actuarily expected; being 52.3% of such expectation.

The Life Fund now amounts to Rs. 3,90,58,117, an expansion of nearly Rs. 71½ lakhs during the year.

You will have observed that the expenses of management of our business, generally, continue to show an increasing tendency. This is mainly due to rising costs under the heading of salaries and to an upward revision in the scale of dearness allowance granted to the staff to assist them in facing the present difficult times. Whilst on the subject of staff costs I would like to say that the position is aggravated by the persistent attempts made by the newly formed Insurance companies to induce our trained men to leave us by offers of very attractive salaries. In some cases we could not see our way to raise salaries to the level of those offered and we have, consequently, lost the services of several of our experienced employees. This form of competition which is very acute and which, in the long run, is more likely to react to the detriment rather than to the advantage of those concerned, has already been the subject of a Minute by the Indian Insurance Companies Association deprecating the practice.

During the war years there have been considerable additions to the ranks of Indian Insurance Companies. This phenomenon is, doubtless, due to the existence of a large volume of money seeking investment coupled with the desire of the promoters of the new concerns to share in the enlarged volume of insurance business made available by a substantial rise in insurable values and greater industrial activity. An aspect of this large accession to the number of Insurance companies which perhaps has not received the attention it deserves is the substantial increase in the aggregate of expenses of management thus thrown on to the insurance business. This greater quantum of expenses—which can be met only from the premiums paid by the insuring public—has possibly been fairly easily absorbed by the present vastly increased premium turnover but when conditions return to a somewhat normal plane it may be found that the business will be unduly burdened by the cost of the many new organisations which have been set up. This aspect is rightly causing a feeling of disquiet regarding the future of Indian insurance.

As a result the opportunity was taken on the recent circulation by Government of the draft of an amending bill to the Insurance Act to propose the insertion of a clause imposing a statutory limit on the over-all expenses of insurers. This clause has been a subject of acute controversy. Opposition to the same has emanated from insurance agents for the reason that a limitation of over-all expenses would entail a reduction also in the prevailing rates of agency commission. Opposition such as this, whilst easily understandable, should not however be allowed to stand in the way of a reform calculated to safeguard the future of Indian insurance. Criticism has also come from those who object in principle, to Government interference in their business. There is a lot to be said, in the case of ordinary commercial enterprise, against Government dictation in the matter of costs of running a business but I take a different view so far as insurance is concerned. Policyholders are parties to what can generally be described as long term contracts and, rightly, can look to the State to evolve measures to ensure, as far as is practicable, that those who seek the confidence of the public conduct their affairs on such lines that the obligations in respect of those contracts are faithfully discharged.

Your Board have given careful consideration to the subject and whole-heartedly endorse the principle underlying the proposed limitation. Government, however, in face of the opposition voiced to the proposed clause have decided not to proceed with the amending bill during the currency of the last session of the Assembly.

I will now deal with the Profit & Loss Appropriation account. The balance of profit brought in amounts to Rs. 36,16,242. After transferring Rs. 6,000 to reserve for bad and doubtful debts and Rs. 28,56,323 to reserve for taxation, we have a balance of Rs. 10,48,905 which includes Rs. 2,94,986 brought forward from last year. Your Board recommend the payment of an income-tax free dividend of Rs. 1-8-0 per share. This will leave Rs. 3,36,799 to go forward to next year.

Before I conclude I am sure you will desire me to place on record our appreciation of the work done by our staff both at the Head Office and the Branches and by our agents and field-workers. But for their good work it would not have been possible to present to you the satisfactory results which are embodied in the accounts before you.

EPILEPTIC MAN COMMITS SUICIDE

BOMBAY, Thursday.

The Coroner's Jury returned a verdict of death due to "shock and haemmorhage from suicidal throat cut", on Tayappa Sambhu who died at his residence, at Gokhale Road South, yesterday.

The deceased had been invalidated out of Municipal Service recently and it is learnt that he was brooding over it. He was also subject to epileptic fits. During one of the fits which occurred on the day of the incident, he wrapped himself up in his bedclothes, and a few minutes later the inmates of the room discovered that the man had cut his throat. By the time the police came on the spot, life was extinct.

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To-day's Engagements

NOTICE TO JURYMEN.

Special Jurors' attention is drawn to the notice appearing in the Public Notifications Column.

BOMBAY ANDHRA MAHASABHA: To-day (Friday), at 5 p.m. Inaugural meeting of the Bombay Andhra Mahila Mandali in the Mahasabha premises.

MUSIC AND ART PERFORMANCE: Prof. Tej Rajendra Singh will give a performance of singing classical music at the Blavatsky Lodge, on Sunday, 15th July, at 6-30 p.m.

ALL INDIA MUSLIM MAJLIS: Political Study Circle will be conducted by Mr. Latif Jafri, at the office of the Bombay Branch of the Muslim Majlis, Madanpura, to-day (Friday), at 9-30 p.m.

SHRI MAHADEV DESAI MEMORIAL FUND: A meeting of the Women's Sub-Committee to collect the above Fund will be held at 4-30 p.m. (S. T.), to-day, at Bhagini Samaj, Balmandir Hall, Simla House, Mathew Road, Bombay.

COMMISSIONER'S ROUND: The Municipal Commissioner will meet the elected members of Ward No. 12, on Saturday, at 6.51 a.m. (B. T.), at the junction of Bellasis Road and Duncan Road (Old Parsee Statue), weather

TELEGRAPH NOTIFICATION: Commercial telegrams to and from Denmark and Norway are admitted in plain English or French and restricted to those ascertaining facts and exchanging information. Commercial codes are not permitted.

MUNICIPAL COMMISSIONER'S ROUND: The Municipal Commissioner and the Councillors of Ward No. 12 (1st Nagpada, 2nd Nagpada Kamathipura) will meet near the junction of Belasis Road and Duncan Road (Old Parsi Statue), to-morrow (Saturday), at 6-51 a.m. (B. T.), 8.30 a.m. (S. T.) to go round the ward.

H. M. I. DOCKYARD WORKERS' UNION: Sixth annual general meeting of the H. M. I. Dockyard Workers' Union will be held at the K. R. Cama Institute, to-day (Friday), at 6 p.m.

UNITED LODGE OF THEOSOPHISTS: Opp. Flora Fountain. Study Class: Text Book, "Echoes from the Orient" by W. Q. Judge, at 6-15 p.m., to-day (Friday).

URDU LIBRARY FOR BOMBAY: The Managing Committee of the Students' Jinnah Library, which is being run by the Bombay District Muslim Students' Federation, have decided to start an Urdu Section of the Library. Attempts are being made to make this the best Urdu Library in Bombay. All patrons of Urdu are requested to co-operate with the organisers in making this a really good Library, by sending in their donations. All donations should be sent to Z. A. Noorani, Best View, Raghavji Road, Cumballa Hill, Bombay.

DR. ZIAUDDIN AHMED.

Dr. Sir Ziauddin Ahmed, Vice-Chancellor of Aligarh Muslim University is now in Bombay in connection with the work of the Golden Jubilee of the Aligarh Muslim University.

A meeting has been called at 6 p.m., to-day (Friday), at the Beg Mahomed Baug, Mahomedali Road, so that he may be able to explain the details of the services that the Aligarh Muslim University has rendered to the cause of education.

CITY'S HEALTH: The health returns of Bombay during the week ended 23rd June, 1945, were as under. The mortality (80 was 44 more than that for the last week and the death rate registered was 27.2 on the census population of 1941 as against 668 mortality and 23.0 the death-rate for the 25th week of 1944. The present population is about 23,00,000 and if the death-rate is calculated on the actual population, it will be 17.6. The average mortality for the corresponding week during the preceding quinquennium was 538 and the death-rate 19.6. Out of the total deaths, 208 were among infants under 1 year of age. Small-pox caused 18 attacks and 3 deaths. Plague was absent. Cholera caused 5 attacks.

THE PEOPLE'S THEATRE: The I. P. T. A. will be holding a representative exhibition of the best recent work by the young artists of Bombay. The exhibition will be held in Cowasji Jehangir Hall from the 16th to the 21st of July. Twenty-five originals from Amrita Shergil's work will also be exhibited to honour the memory of the late artist.

Debates, lectures, musical and theatrical programmes are also being arranged to provide the visitors the maximum entertainment. Film stars and well-known artists will participate.

Artists who wish to exhibit their pictures should contact Mr. Balraj Sahni, General Secretary, I. P. T. A., Bombay Branch, at Deodhar School of Music (near Opera House) between 7-30 and 9 p.m., but not later than 7th July.

BOMBAY PRESIDENCY MUSLIM EDUCATIONAL CONFERENCE.

Mr. Ahmed E. H. Jaffer, General Secretary, the Bombay Presidency Muslim Educational Conference, in a statement to the Press says that during his recent tour of Karanatak and southern Districts of Bombay Province, he had occasion to meet Muslim leaders who extended him an invitation to hold the coming session of the Bombay Presidency Muslim Educational Conference either in Bijapur or at Belgaum. With a view to discuss these matters Mr. Jaffer has convened a meeting of Muslim leaders of Karnatak and Southern Division at Belgaum on Friday, the 6th July, at 5 p.m., at the Muslim National Guard Office, Belgaum City. He hopes that Musalmans will attend the meeting with a view to exchange views and come to a final decision on the subject.

It is also the desire of the Muslim leaders to hold the next session of the Bombay Provincial Muslim League at the same time. For this purpose Mr. Abdul Razzak Inamdar, President District Muslim League, Belgaum, has also issued invitations for the above meeting.

Warning To Milk Ration Card Holders

It has been noticed that many milk ration card holders do not get their tattered cards replaced by new ones. Managers in charge of the centres find it difficult to record the sales on such tattered cards. If despite their requests, such cards are not renewed the holders are likely to be refused the issue of their milk quota against the tattered cards. Card-holders are, therefore, requested in their own interests to get tattered cards replaced by new ones by applying in the prescribed form at the Ward Rationing Office.

Bandra Busmen On Strike Again

It is hardly a month ago that the twelve day strike of Bandra bus workers had ended. On Wednesday again the behaviour of the officials, of the Co. forced the workers to go on strike.

It so happened that Mr. Patel, the Workshop Manager threw away, without assigning any reason the tiffin boxes of the workers, which were kept in an out-of-order bus. This action caused indignation among the workers who asked for a satisfactory explanation within two hours.

As nothing was done in the matter and as the management remained adamant, the workers went on strike the strike continued on Thursday.

Y. W. C. A. Blue Triangle Dance

"This year the Y. W. C. A., in Bombay is holding its annual Blue Triangle Dance at the C. J. Hall to-day (Friday), from 8-30 p.m. to midnight. For 70 years the Bombay Y. W. C. A. has helped to meet the needs of women and girls in the city of Bombay. During war time our usual work is continued along with war emergency work with evacuees, service women and men. The facilities of the Association are made available to all whatever their financial position, as charges are below cost. Because of the rapidly rising cost of living and increased overhead expenses, and above all, since it is believed that it is only through developing the physical, mental and spiritual health of the young people of to-day that Indians may achieve a new and better world, this is justified in asking the public of Bombay to help make good the subsequent deficit (which will be about Rs. 15,000 this year) by doing all they can and joining into the spirit of the occasion at this dance.

Tickets may be bought at the Y. W. C. A., Mayo Road, and are Rs. 5 for a gentleman (or couple) and Rs. -/4 for a lady. Arthur Jacobs and his Melodians will provide music. There will be novelty dances and prizes.

Progress Of New India Assurance Company

BOMBAY, Thursday.

The twenty-sixth ordinary general meeting of shareholders of the New India Assurance Company Ltd., was held to-day. Sir Chunilal V. Mehta, Chairman of the Board of Directors who presided presented the report and the audited statement of accounts and balance sheet for the year.

The Annual Report shows a round progress in all departments of assurance for the year ended 31st December 1944. During the year 17,417 new policies were issued totalling Rs. 6,07,25,926 of which Rs. 34.03.000 were reassured. The total number of ordinary policies in force is 63,520, assuring, with bonuses, a sum of Rs. 21,14,89,346 of which Rs. 1,38,38,245 is reassured.

Interest earned plus Transfer and other Fees amounted to Rs. 3,84,324. An amount of Rs. 16.54,218 has been transferred to the Revenue Account from the Fire Account, Rs. 7,11,113 from Miscellaneous Account, Rs. 10.00,000 from Marine Account and Rs. 37,300 from Shareholders' Life Profit Account.

The Life Fund stands at Rs. 3,90,58,117, Fire Fund 65 lakhs, Accident and Miscellaneous Fund Rs. 15 lakhs, Marine Fund over Rs. 55 lakhs, General Reserve Rs. 3 1/2 lakhs and Investment Reserve Rs. 13 lakhs. The year's working showed an increase of Rs. 69,45,039 in the total funds.

BELGAUM EXPLOSION CASE

(Before the Hon'ble Mr. Justice Weston and Mr. Justice Bavdekar.)

1. Monappa N. Tapali
2. Payappa Nanappa
3. Shanker Irappa Lohar Appellants (Original Accused).

Versus

Imperator ..... Respondent.

Their Lordships set aside the conviction of the first two appellants who had been sentenced by the Sessions Judge of Belgaum to six years and five years' R.I. respectively in connection with an explosion in front of Belgaum Police Station on 12th November 1942. The third appellant had also been sentenced by the Sessions Judge to seven years' R.I. but Their Lordships having differed as to his guilt, his case will be referred to a third judge. Five months later, the accused along with others were arrested and a number of hand grenades and crude bombs were recovered from places pointed out by them within the limits of an Indian state near Belgaum. The explosives having been recovered outside British India, no substantive charges for possession of explosives could be framed against them, but they were charged with conspiring to have explosives in their possession with regard to the first two appellants Their Lordships held that the evidence of possession was not sufficient to prove the charges of conspiracy levelled against them. Mr. Justice Weston was, however, of opinion that the case of the third accused stood on a different footing and he was guilty of conspiracy as he was an employee in the foundry in which the grenades were manufactured. With regard to him, however, Mr. Justice Bavdekar differed.

Mr. R. A. Jaghirdar, Mr. B. D. Belvi and Mr. A. A. Mangdi appeared for the appellant. The Assistant Government Pleader appeared for the Crown.

Narendra Deo To Meet Congress Workers

Acharya Narendra Deo who is now in Bombay will meet and gives a talk to the Congress workers in the City on Sunday, July 1, at 5 p.m. at Jinnah Hall, Vithalbhai Patel Road. No passes have been issued for the informal meeting.

Kerosene Ration Unit

A Press Note issued by the Supply Commissioner, Bombay, states that the value of one kerosene unit on K(H) ration cards for non-lighting purposes in Bombay City and the Bombay Suburban District has been fixed at 4 pints (1/2 gallon) per month for the month of July 1945.

During the same month oil issued on K(H) permits to hotels and establishment for non-lighting purposes will be one gallon per month. The oil issued to business premises on K(L) Business Premises cards will be one gallon per month.

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STALEMATE

It is a pity that there has been no settlement yet at Simla with regard to the personnel of the new Executive Council. The difficulty seems to be that Mr. Jinnah insists on all the Muslim members being selected by the League. This is an unreasonable claim as there are numerous Muslims outside the League. The Frontier Government is outside it. So is also the Punjab Government, which is said to demand the right to nominate one person for the Council. By conceding the League's claim Congress will not only be basely betraying the claims of its Muslim members but will brand itself virtually as a non-Muslim communal institution. The President is reported to have stated in a press interview: "The Congress cannot accept any suggestion that it is a communal body and can therefore never agree to select only the Hindu representatives. It must have a voice in the selection of Indians of all communities, for to do otherwise would be to contradict the whole character of the Congress". The reasonableness of this contention will be acknowledged by every dispassionate critic. Prolonged talks have taken place between Mr. Jinnah and Pandit Pant with regard to these conflicting claims but so far there has been no settlement between the two bodies.

We hope there will be a settlement on this point before it is too late. If there is none before the Conference meets to-day the Conference itself may take up the matter, the Viceroy playing no small part therein. If his plan is accepted with regard to its political contents it ought not to be allowed to come to naught merely on personal grounds. Alternatives to a settlement between the Congress and the League are being considered even in the British press. The "Daily Telegraph", a Tory paper, is said to be envisaging the possibility of the Viceroy being forced to take matters into his own hands and to form a Cabinet without the Muslim League's representatives, if Mr. Jinnah proves obdurate. A far better plan is arbitration in the absence of an agreement. The Congress has often commended this procedure and the President may possibly urge it now on certain specific unsettled points. If the League agrees one step forward will have been taken.

The method is also being considered of the various parties at the Conference suggesting different panels and the Viceroy, in consultation with party leaders, selecting from among these a Council as representative as possible and submitting it to the Conference for ratification or minor changes by general agreement. This method too has possibilities, if only because the Viceroy's selection will not identify any party with any particular community. Indeed much is possible if all the parties are in an accommodating mood. Speaking generally, the President has given an assurance to all concerned that the Congress attitude has been and will continue to be "constructive and not destructive" and that he himself is doing his best "to build rather than destroy". It is to be hoped the League too will adopt the same attitude. Infinite patience is also necessary on the part of all concerned. The tragedy of the precipitate withdrawal of the Cripps offer while negotiations were still going on should not be repeated. The position may appreciably improve if the Viceroy discusses with party leaders alternatives to an immediate settlement.

Against The Charter

For the sake of peace in the Middle East and the future prestige among peace and freedom-loving peoples of the Soviet Union itself, we earnestly hope the problem of Russo-Turkish relations is settled without involving any injustice to Turkey. There are reports that the Russian Ambassador has handed a note to the Turkish Foreign Minister suggesting certain conditions precedent to the renewal of a Russo-Turkish Treaty of friendship. We are afraid it is not easy to see any justification for either of the two conditions. The district of Kars came to Turkey by the Treaty of 1921—that is to say it was a transaction voluntarily and freely entered into by the Soviet Government. What has happened since 1921 to require a reversal of such a transaction to the disadvantage of Turkey?

As to the Montreux Convention, the Dardanelles are always free in times of peace. Russia wants their freedom, in respect of Soviet naval movements in times of war, too. There is a suggestion that she demands even some kind of permanent control over the Straits, too, which, we trust is not correct. But the question of the freedom of the Dardanelles does not at all arise as a problem if there is any genuine sense in the World Security Charter and if the Big Powers like Russia have at all any intention of working the Charter honestly. For suppose the Sovnet Union gets involved in a war, which finds approval under the terms of the Charter. In that case it becomes automatically the duty of Turkey to render all assistance including "passage" through her territory to the forces of the Soviet Union. Otherwise Turkey will become a rebel against the United Nations and face consequences a contingency which no statesman, unless he is a lunatic, will contemplate with equanimity. We need not discuss the only other alternative, namely a Russian war against the terms, conditions and spirit of the Security Charter. It is obvious, therefore, that the Russian demand is unnecessary in addition to being unfair and against the spirit of the great Organisation, which Russia along with others, brought into being at San Francisco almost at the very hour at which her Ambassador handed the note to Turkey. We earnestly hope Generalissimo Stalin does not allow the impression that he is taking undue and unjust advantage of his victorious might.

Frankly Speaking

Stettinius Resigns

Under the constitution of the United States, the Secretary of State comes next to the Vice-President in the matter of succession to the Presidency. President Roosevelt having died in office, Mr. Truman automatically became President and equally automatically Mr. Stettinius as Secretary of State became President Truman's heir. But Mr. Stettinius is very young, too young according to American statesmen, for the honour of becoming the Chief Executive if anything were to happen to Truman. A change has, therefore, been canvassed for a long time with Mr. James F. Byrnes as the proposed Secretary of State. Now that the San Francisco Conference is over the first step in the change has been taken and Mr. Stettinius has resigned. It is almost certain that Mr. Byrnes will take his place. Mr. Byrnes was a confidante of Franklin Roosevelt. His appointment, therefore, would be a further proof that President Truman desired to continue the foreign policy of his late Chief.

Significance Of New Job

As to Mr. Stettinius he has lost an extremely distinguished post. But he has been given what is certainly the next best in the international field. His new job is that of the American Representative on the Security Council and Chairman of the United States delegation in the General Assembly. If there was to be a change nothing could be more fitting. Mr. Stettinius has taken perhaps the most prominent part in the birth of the United Nations Organisation and its Security Charter. He has now been appointed on behalf of the United States to take an equally prominent part in the even more important task of promoting their rapid and effective growth. For the world there is another and more welcome significance to this appointment. It means that the United States is entering the field of international co-operation and collaboration in earnest and is determined to make its full contribution to the maintenance and promotion of World Peace.

Educational Films

Many progressive countries have demonstrated the great educational value of moving pictures. But so far educational institutions in India have failed to make a proper use of the film. It is, therefore, encouraging to note that the Information Films of India has organised an experiment of sixteen educational shows for Bombay students on sixteen consecutive Sundays beginning with 1st July, the films being both Indian and foreign. The shows will be open only to students, teachers and parents accompanying their children, and all these will be charged low rates ranging from two to eight annas. The first show will be at the Capitol Cinema at 10 a.m., when Sir B. J. Wadia, the Vice-Chancellor of the Bombay University, has consented to preside. We wish the experiment every success.

Our Readers' Views

Matheran Municipality

Mrs. Bapsy Sabavala must be congratulated for her alertness to watch the interest of democracy and for taking up cudgels on its behalf in the case of the Matheran Municipality; for I do feel flattered when she says, "Why the Railway and the Electric Companies,—completely exterior elements (mark you these are Mrs. Sabavala's words, not mine!)—should have separate representation is beyond comprehension."

She also agrees with me that the permanent population of the Hill Station should have the strongest representation. She is fully alive to the fact that "this is the day of democracy" and she "welcomes the people's rule." "But it should not be abused."

Now, Madam, will you kindly let us know how the privilege of vote has been abused in Matheran because a double-graduated barber's son had got himself elected or a tailor got himself first elected on the Board and then 'unanimously' chosen by its members, as its President? I am quite sure that a sensible lady like Mrs. Sabavala would not have insulted the intelligence of the voters of Matheran if she were to pause and think upon the implications of her sentiments conveyed in the following observations:—

'Mr. Shinde the tailor is our President at present. Beyond threading the needle, one feels he could never do anything else. He does not even know the language in which his official correspondence is directed. This is a ridiculous state of affairs and should never be allowed to recur."

Excuse me, Madam, but by this time the people of Matheran are not in any doubt that Mr. Shinde 'does' know a lot beyond threading the needle, for he has proved it in ample measure, by the large improvements made and liberal amenities provided to them by him, thanks to the enthusiastic co-operation of his colleagues, and the highly efficient administration which he has been able to inspire.

Have you, Madam, had occasion to read the Official Inspection Note which speaks for the working of the Municipal Board, under the able guidance of the present Tailor President? Do you happen to know that Social activities like co-operative society and education are the ambitious desire of Mr. Shinde and he has conducted Co-operative Society's work very efficiently?

Do you happen to know that this Society is styled as A Class Institution in the Province and very shortly it is going to be an Urban Co-operative Bank on the Hill? Millions of our countrymen have to earn their livelihood by the sweat of their hard and honest labour; these are the people on whose toil our very existence subsists. Their noble profession should not be considered as a disability or in any disqualification to accept responsible position in Civic as well as Legislative organisation to serve their countrymen in their humble way.

The criterion of fitness for civic honour in democracy is service, first to last, and because persons born with a silver spoon in their mouth forget this fundamental principle they are out to mock at the poor and those deprived of the so-called liberal education provided in bureaucratic ridden colleges.

It is a matter of shame—and it is possible only in a slave country—that persons claiming to be enlightened and cultured should even publicly come forward to shun those who know not the "official" language. Indeed, has not the time come when these people, in the interest of real democracy, and in favour of the millions of this land who cannot afford the luxury of education in "official" language raise their powerful voice for transacting all official business in the mother tongue rather than lend their might to the setting back of the clock of progress by encouraging those who want to circumvent even the present restricted franchise by back door methods of nomination etc.?

WAMAN P. KABADI.

The Matric Results

It is well-known that this year's Matric results have been most disappointing, only about 37 per cent of the candidates having been declared to have passed. The public are anxious to know why this year particularly the results are so poor and whether anything is in the offing to reduce the number of the condemned. The public are also aware that as a result of the discovery of corrupt practices in connection with the last year's Matriculation Examination, the whole lot practically of the old examiners have been debarred and replaced by a new set. Is there not, then, room to fear, seeing the unaccountable failure of many bright candidates, that this year a new standard of valuation has been introduced? It is not only possible but probable that an unconscious element of punctiliousness in valuation, a somewhat hardened attitude towards the examinees has taken hold of the minds of the examiners, in their anxiety to be above suspicion in the eyes of the University. It is therefore highly necessary that the question is taken up and examined in this light, before it is too late. If there had been corrupt practices in the past on the part of examiners under the influence of temptations offered or invited, the candidates that came up later had nothing to do with that and their interests should not be sacrificed, and a hardened, overstrict attitude towards them and their uncalled-for slaughter can never be justified.

A PARENT

Clergy At Variance

As a result of locking the doors of the Hume Memorial Church, Byculla, Bombay, last month the matter has now become out of concern to the Christian community. The President of the Ministers' Union as one of the honorary canons of the Bombay Cathedral, has addressed a communication to the authorities of the Hume Memorial Church, but the result is not hopeful and it appears that the question of withdrawing the Pastors licence is being considered. There is also the case of Rev. Y. B. Kale, priest of the St. John Mission, Poona, whose licence has been withdrawn under the advice of Rev. Father J. C. Williams, Superior of the St. John Mission. In spite of all assurances the Bishop of Bombay has left the matter in hands of the Rev. Father instead of doing justice to Rev. Kale. To lock the doors of the Church and to remove the Priest's licence is not an ordinary subject and if the same is persisted in the community's feeling are likely to be injured. It is my humble suggestion to all concerned that it would be better the present attitude of the Church authorities is mended. The All-India Conference and the local Indian Christian Association must intervene and do the needful.

D. M. DAVIDSON,
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COUNTRY-CRAFT FACES RUIN

Monopolies Route System Menaces Existence Of Indigenous Shipping Which Has Rendered Yeoman's Service To Country

(BY M. D. VAIDYA.)

The time has come when all trades and industries must be looked at from a national standpoint. That outlook is necessary for their preservation and survival. So meagre are our achievements at sea at present that the average Indian would wonder if we had at all a sea-borne trade. Unique service has been rendered to the nation by Prof. Radha Kumud Mukerjee by the publication of his work on Indian shipping. Not until one goes through this work can one have an adequate idea as to how glorious has been the past of Indian shipbuilding and sea-borne trade. This proud record of Indian shipping should fill us with hope and courage. Of course loss of political power has dealt a death-blow to Indian shipping. Be it as it may, we have got to cover the lost ground with indomitable spirit. It is a stupendous task full of vicissitudes, but India must reassert herself. The betterment of the lot of Indian seamen must be the grave concern of our merchant princes. They must rise to the occasion and come to the rescue of this national asset. The peninsular position of India necessitates a most efficient class of seamen to manage its coastal trade and to protect its shores.

EFFECT OF WAR

The exigencies of the war have brought to the forefront the question of transport. Due to the lack of rail transport country-craft, which had so much sunk into background, established beyond a shadow of doubt its usefulness. It has vividly brought home to us the great necessity of educating and training this class and safeguarding their interests. Indian tindels and sailors have recently proved that given equal opportunities they are inferior to none in the art of navigation. They have rendered yeoman's service in solving the problem of the transport of goods. The dexterity with which they managed their vessels has helped to supply the needs of the cities in the interior. The all-round impetus which the country-craft received from anxious consignees did not fail to catch the eye of the vested interests and this cheap means of transport, which would have contributed a great deal in keeping down prices of commodities, was ultimately brought under control. It is certain that in the hands of a National Government country-craft would have received the best protection and encouragement. Its special feature is that it is of a purely national character. Its timber, technical labour ropes and riggings and its minutes details are purely Indian. The Indian seaman had, due to the war got an opportunity of life to cover himself with glory and to prove himself useful to his country and get a just return for his life's venture.

ROUTE SYSTEM AND ITS EVILS

Vested interests however, found an easy target in him. The poor Indian seaman was also represented as profiteering. The epidemic of profiteering was to be nipped in the bud by the one specific of control. For this purpose, a century old remedy decried by economists of the world as loathsome and unjust was unearthed and the entire trade was placed under the sway of the route system, which is no better than the old hideous form of monopoly. The remedy as was expected, proved worse than the disease. The evils, which are the necessary outcome of monopoly, made themselves manifest within a short time of the scheme. The country-craft owner and his helpmates, the broker and the Mukadam have found it odious and detrimental to their interests. The country-craft owner has been most hard-hit. His ignorance, simplicity and poverty are proverbial. Ninety per cent of the members of this class are illiterate and the class almost as a whole is in the grips of extreme poverty. The country-craft owner should have received special encouragement and should have been afforded all possible help and facilities because he was rendering special service at the risk of his life. His treatment, however under the route system to say the least has been callous.

The route system has so operated as to throw no responsibility on the route agent and has exonerated them from all liability. This system, which was designed to facilitate transport, has in effect only brought huge prizes to the route agents in return for no service rendered to the trade. The route agent has acted as if he owed no duty to the public. His attitude towards the public has been one of indifference. He thinks he has been appointed by Government and he is not answerable to the public. If that be so, the commission which he receives should have been received from the Government only. Instead, the exaction of this commission from the public for no service rendered to the public is nothing short of a tax.

MONOPOLIES SET UP

History has no parallel for a system akin to this—except in the times of absolute monarchs, who gave 'Ijaras' or monopolies to their court favourites. The tindel and his men, in consequence of whose sweat and labour the whole system has come into being, is treated as deserving of no notice. At his cost the system is maintained and bumper commissions are earned. The route agents only secure the craft in name. In fact, it is secured by the broker. The broker is to look to the loading of the ship. If the seaworthiness of the vessel or provision against weather is to be certified, it must be done by the broker. The route scheme is so laconic as to afford the widest scope for enforcing orders and avoiding consequences and the fullest use has been made thereof. Again, with meagre staff it was not possible for the route agents to cope with the work before them. Complaints have gone unheeded. There has been such long delay in releasing the craft, that a whole trip over again could have been completed.

The tindel and his men had their rations stopped, waited days and days for his permit to leave the port, has been put to unnecessary expense compelled to go to ports of which he had no experience and made to carry cargo given to him. There is ample proof to prove the facts herein recited. The broker has been treated as a non-entity. He was the confidential agent of the craft-owner. He looked to his needs, made all arrangements with the shipper and helped him with money. He serves a useful purpose for which he earns his brokerage. The Mukadam looks to all the details of loading and supplies adequate labour. The route system and the administration thereof swept all the three off their feet and made them feel that they would be thwarted in all possible ways unless they obtain the approval of the route agent. Unlimited authority and unquestioned exercise of power by the route agents, their agents and sub-agents have earned wide unpopularity. Such unlimited authority in the hands of individuals is bound to produce the self-same results. Some of the route agents have been owners of ships and they have had their trade agents, brokers and Mukadams, friends and favourites and shippers and craft-owners acting through them have found their course smooth.

NOT THE PROPER REMEDY

The general trend of opinion is that the adoption of the route system was not a proper remedy. There was nothing to prevent the Government from enforcing priority for the transport of materials required by them. It is true that transport was and is a huge problem and the gravity of the situation demanded a quick decision. In the present case, the fundamentals were overlooked in this hurry to encompass the entire country-craft trade. The route system is but another form of monopoly and the illiterate country-craft owner has had a full share of the defects thereof viz., preference, arbitrary exercise of power, abnormal delay and compulsion. He has felt himself absolutely helpless and being placed on the horns of a dilemma either to ply the trade and meekly submit to harassment or to give up his trade and maintain his self-respect, he had no choice but to submit to iniquities. These hard times could hardly permit any other choice to him. All other ports on the Western coast have had the same experience and have been groaning under the same difficulties. Whatever, therefore, may have been the justification for the Government for the promulgation of the route system, it will be a grave error to continue the same.

THE RAIL-ROAD CO-ORDINATION SCHEME

BY A NATIONALIST

The Press Note that has appeared in the papers regarding the rail-road co-ordination scheme has given cause to considerable public misgivings as it is difficult to understand what is the real object behind this scheme.

If it were intended to nationalize the transport trade, one would have no quarrel with the scheme provided the nationalization is brought about after adequate notice to the present operators, as was done in the case of the Railways and Telephones. And even if speedy nationalization is intended, a project of such grave importance must not be rushed through in haste particularly when the establishment of new popular Government is imminent.

It is curious that almost simultaneously with the Viceroy's efforts to restore constitutional and popular Government, the present interim Bombay regime should announce this long-term scheme, and not content with that, take all elaborate steps to implement it in the shortest time possible. The scheme is thrust on the public as a bolt from the blue, in a "take it or leave it" attitude. Though it vitally affects numerous interests, even apart from the existing operators, the Government, evidently confirmed in the belief that their action in infallible, have denied an opportunity to the public to express their views on the scheme or to offer suggestions for its improvement. Intending candidates for appointment as promoters have been given only a fortnight's time. A scheme of such magnitude and importance must necessarily allow sufficient time for careful deliberation to those intending participation, and a few months instead of weeks would be more appropriate.

The road transport industry in this Province is an entirely Indian industry built up through years of stress and against severe competition by Railways, by men of small means with their sweat and toil and hard-earned savings.

The Press Note states that to ensure that "the Company functions without undue interference from the Railway Board, the existing operators will be asked to select a promoter from amongst themselves." However, be it noted that the promoter must be one 'approved' of by Government, and failing agreement among the operators Government will select the promoter. As unanimity among operators is unlikely, this will give a handle to Government to choose any one they like and would not the political leanings of particular candidates also influence the Government in their choice.

The Government, which may have approved of the scheme before the present constitutional proposals were published, and at a time when the restoration of popular Government may have seemed distant, would be well advised to cry a halt in their steps to implement this long-term scheme in a hurry and to leave a free hand to the imminent popular Government to make such modifications as they may deem necessary in the public interests.

JOYCE FACES COURT FOR ONE MINUTE

LONDON, June 28. (Reuter): William Joyce, "Lord Haw Haw", facing a charge of high treason, was at the Bow Street Magistrate's Court, to-day committed for trial at the Old Bailey, Britain's foremost Criminal Court, where most great cases of her legal history have been tried.

Joyce was in Court for less than one minute, says Reuter. He walked erectly to the dock and stood with hands clenched at his side. He wore the same black suit in which he appeared in court on two previous occasions and looked much better in health.

When the Magistrate, Sir Bertrand Watson, announced that Joyce is committed for trial at the Old Bailey, defending solicitor, Mr. C. B. V. Head, immediately asked him to grant a certificate for counsel at Joyce's trial and suggested this was a case in which a certificate should be granted for two counsels. The certificate was granted as requested.

LORD HAW-HAW'S NATIONALITY

NEW YORK, June 28. (U.P.A.): According to a report appearing in the New York "World Telegram", baptismal records strongly supporting Lord Haw Haw's contention that he was born in Brooklyn, N.Y., have been found.

U.S. And Far Eastern Friends Count On Nehru's Leadership

Vijayalaxmi Says Pandit's Presence In Simla More Essential Than In 'Frisco

ALLAHABAD, June 28: Several telegrams from all over the world have been received by Pandit Jawaharlal Nehru wishing him and other members of the Congress Working Committee good wishes on their release.

Telegrams from San Francisco urge upon Pandit Nehru to reach San Francisco before the United Nations Conference ends to meet the various delegates assembled there.

Pandit Nehru has also received messages from Messrs. Sorensen, Krishna Menon Dasanya from Ceylon, Chunilal Patel, J. R. D. Tata from London, G. D. Birla from London and Frenner Brockway, Secretary, Independent Labour.

Mrs. Vijayalaxmi Pandit had also wanted Pandit Nehru to go to San Francisco but later when she learnt of the date of the Simla Conference she cabled as follows": I feel your presence in Simla is more essential. A special responsibility falls upon you for a correct decision in view of the abnormal world, particularly Asiatic conditions. After consultations with leading American, Near and Far Eastern friends I am convinced they all count on the success of your leadership at this crisis. National India cannot afford to delay any longer assumption of proper position and the role in the Council of Nations. This is the consensus of opinion here including mine".

Pandit Nehru accompanied by his son-in-law, Mr. Feroz Gandhi, will pay brief visits to Ballia and Ghazipur on Sunday July 1. He leaves Allahabad on Saturday evening by train for Ballia where he will spend a few hours and will then go to Ghazipur same evening. He will return to Allahabad on Monday, July 2.

Darnand Arrested

ROME, June 28. (Reuter): Joseph Darnand, French Secretary of the Interior in the Vichy Gocernment and Secretary-General of the French Militia, has been arrested in a house near Edola, north of Bergamo, not far from the Swiss border, it was announced to-day.

When arrested—on Monday,—he was waiting to go to Milan to keep an appointment with his Secretary, Suzanne Charase, of Vichy. She was arrested yesterday morning at the time fixed for their meeting.

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WITHOUT COMMENT—

A stern warning that if the Wavell Plan was accepted the Hindu Mahasabha would mobilise public opinion and envisage a scheme of strong resistance, was sounded by Dr. Shyama Prasad Mukherji the President of the Hindu Mahasabha at a Press Conference held in Bombay at noon to-day.

After issuing the threat that they would oppose the plan tooth and nail Dr. Mukherji remarked that the resentment on this occasion would be so great that it would lead to a situation which may be far worse than what happened in 1942.

—Local Report.

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Authoritative Congress quarters in Simla have made it clear that Pandit Pant is not acting as an emissary of Congress and have emphasised that the Pandit has been meeting Mr. Jinnah on the latter's own invitation.

Now what would have happened if Maulana Abul Kalam Azad had invited a Member of the Muslim League Working Committee for political talks and the unfortunate Member had responded to the invitation?

You don't see the point? Ask any member of the League Working Committee but please assure him as earnestly as you can that your question has been asked merely out of idle curiosity otherwise he would recall a certain directive and begin to shudder, shiver and shake.

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Lord Beaverbrook's "Daily Express" has come to the conclusion that "Nehru may be the Indian Foreign Minister".

But in order to tone down the shock to itself, it wishfully reports that Mr. Jinnah has been tipped for Prime Minister! And as a further precaution even a stiffer dose of bromide has been prepared for Lord Beaverbrook:—Prince Liaquat Khan as an alternative to Mr. Jinnah!

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The Labour "Daily Herald" reports to British readers that Mr. Jinnah is still having difficulties. With himself, of course.

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The same paper also states that while striving hard to drive the best bargain, Mr. Jinnah is testing the delegates' patience.

Let us earnestly hope he doesn't breakdown under the strain of the double effort.

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According to an estimate suggested by Reuter's Political Correspondent, the 1,675 candidates in the British General Election are expected to spend a total of £1,000,000.

And what will it cost the British public, the "Empire" and the world if the Tories win?

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According to a member of the U. S. House of Representative, "China wants Hong Kong back from Britain after the war"

And who the—that is, who is China to want Hongback Kong, we mean Hong Kong back?

"Back"! Impertinent non-sense.

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"Moscow Radio announced that Marshal Stalin had been promoted to the rank of Generalissimo by order of the Supreme Soviet".—Reuter.

Retrospective recognition of prospective preparation, too? We hope not.

POINTED PARAGRAPHS

All the world loves to laugh with or at a lover.

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Idleness is the incubator of a great many small sins.

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Courage is the thing that enables us to forget our fears.

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A girl isn't necessarily timid because she jumps at a conclusion.

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A widow says good husbands are like dough because women need them.

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It is easier for some men to accumulate a million dollars than it is for others to accumulate debts amounting to half that sum.

Nationalist Muslims Favour Interim Arrangement

NEW DELHI, June 28. (A.P.I.): Five Nationalist Muslim organisations consisting of the Jamiat-ul-Ulema-I-Hind, the All-India Muslim Majlis, the All-India Momin Conference, the Anjuman-I-Watan of Baluchistan, and the Independent Party of Bihar at a joint meeting presided over by Maulana Hussain Madni, President of the Jamiat, passed the following resolution:

"This meeting of the Nationalist Muslim organisations considers it imperative to express that the Wavell Plan, which is under consideration for solving the present political deadlock and forming an interim Government at the centre, does not only fall short of Indian demands, but also the right of veto embodied therein is inconsistent with democratic principles. As however, the present arrangement is only for the interim period and assurances have been given by Lord Wavell and the Secretary of State for India that the right of veto will not be exercised expect in cases of emergency, this meeting considers this arrangement for the interim period as suitable.

"This meeting further considers it necessary to reiterate that the Muslims League is not the only representative organisation of Mussalmans. In addition to the Muslim League there are other organisations of Mussalmans which have been working for the attainment of Indian freedom and have been making sacrifices to achieve their goal.

Amery Heckled At Sparbrook

Audience Sing "Red Flag" When Requested To Sing National Anthem

BIRMINGHAM, June 27 (Reuter): The Secretary of State for India, Mr. L. S. Amery, had a rowdy reception from a large section of his Sparbrook audience tonight.

Because of continued interruptions, he refused to answer questions and the Chairman withdrew the offer to allow a spokesman for the hecklers two minutes on the platform to state their case.

When the Chairman called on all those who "loved their country "to stand up and sing the national anthem, several people remained seated and those at the back of the hall sung the "Red Flag" in opposition.

'Electioneering Stunt By Dutt'

Amery On Bengal Famine Responsibility

SPARBROOK, June 28. (Reuter): The Communist candidate at Sparbrook, Mr. R. P. Dutt's rejoinder to the Conservative leaflet dealing with the Communist allegations regarding Mr. L. S. Amery's personal responsibility for the Bengal famine, has brought forth a reply from Mr. Amery.

Mr. Amery says: "Sir Jwala Prasad Srivastava has stated that he had received every assistance from myself and that but for my efforts in arranging imports the effect of the famine would have been far worse.

Mr. Dutt tries to dismiss this statement as produced to order. I knew nothing about till, to my surprise, it reached me a few days ago.

NO PUPPET GOVT.

"Nor, are members of the Viceroy's Council puppet ministers. They are distinguished Indians most of whom have played a prominent part in Indian public life. Nor can the responsibility of the Bengal Government be dismissed by describing it as 'a puppet Provincial Government'. It was an Indian ministry responsible to the Bengal Legislature for the Government of 60,000,000 people over a very wide field of Government including all matters concerned with food and agriculture."

'The Famine Commission in a secondary degree had criticised the Central Government of India for not recognising at a sufficiently early date the need for planned movement of foodstuffs from surplus to deficit provinces.

"I am in no position to judge the justice of this criticism", Mr. Amery said, "but I do know what as early as the Autumn, 1942, the Government of India were concerned about the danger of famine in West and South India and convened an All-India conference with the Provincial and State Governments.

EMERGENCY IMPORTS

"Arrangements for better distribution they agreed upon and the emergency imports for which the Government of India asked in good time averted famine in areas where it was anticipated.

"The possibility of famine in Bengal was not foreseen by the Bengal Government when it met the other Provincial Governments in December, 1942.

"Within a few weeks the rice crop failed in Bengal but the extent of the disaster was not realised, or help asked for from the Central Government for some time after that.

"Mr. Dutt may well have foretold the trouble in January, but such answers as I gave to Parliament in that month could only be based on official information supplied to me by the Government of India on the strength of that supplied by the Government of Bengal.

"The Bengal famine was a terrible tragedy due to many causes. It is a pity that Mr. Dutt should make use of it as an electioneering stunt."

Revival Of Fascism In Britain

LONDON, June 28. (U.P.I.): Now that most members and supporters of the former British Union of Fascists are out of prison, the revival of the Fascist organisation in one form or another is a distince possibility.

At present, British Fascism is divided into two camps. The British Union section intend to call themselves British Union of National Socialists and a somewhat smaller group are to be styled as United Fascist Union.

In this connection, the Fascist symbol of lightning flash and "P.J." (Perish Judah)—signs familiar to Londoners in days of Fascist demonstrations, are reappearing on hoardings.

General Election To Cost Britain £1,000,000

LONDON, June 28 (Reuter).—Britain's 1,675 Election candidates among whom the electorate will choose one week from today are expected to spend a total of £1,000,000 (Rs. 1.30.00.000) in what may be Britain's last "expensive" election, writes Reuter's political correspondent.

While reforms designed to facilitate candidature for men without means have already been recommended by the Speakers' Conference, present election conditions still provide for a maximum of over £1,500,000 (nearly two crore rupees), though actual expenditure, it is believed, will not achieve this maximum.

In addition candidates will have to put down £251,250 (Rs. 33,50,000) in deposits—£150 (about Rs. 2,000) for each candidate.

The combined outlay of the candidates will be officially published in a white paper, giving the precise expenditure of each candidate, when the election is over.

How much the candidate is permitted to spend depends on the number of electors in his constituency. The total is calculated as six pence, five pence or three pence, three farthings per elector, according to whether the constituency is a country division, a borough or a double member division.

The total cost of the last election was well under £1,000,000. It was then estimated that Conservative candidates averaged £780, Liberals £520 and Labour £360.

At Sparbrook

MUCH WORK AHEAD FOR AMERY YET

Communists Doing Brisk Canvassing

SPARBROOK BIRMINGHAM, June 27, (Reuter): Now that the distractions of the Nomination Day and Mr Churchill's tour are behind them, party workers in Sparbrook are intensifying their efforts cables Reuter's Special Correspondent.

There was a less cautious air about the Conservative Committee Room today. Canvassers' reports were said to be increasingly favourable.

In the Labour Party's room there was the same optimism as at the start of the campaign with a talk of a four-figure majority and Mr. Dutt losing his deposit—150 sterling (about Rs 2,000) which every candidate has to put down and which he loses if he does not get one-eighth of the votes.

Alderman Shurmer said he was having "a wonderful reception everywhere" and that supporters at some of his open air meetings were almost mobbing him.

The Communist Party are still functioning with clockwork precision. Their headquarters show signs of youthful passion for office memoranda and "go to it" slogans. One exhorts workers not to cause congestion in the room but to go on canvassing and "keep mobile".

Everything is card-indexed and ticketed. Even tables, chairs and bookshelves have their printed notices. Opposition parties, eyeing this machine rather enviously, jibe that it can produce everything but votes.

The Communists, like the conservatives, are distributing an enormous quantity of propaganda literature. All the three parties are putting their faith in personal canvassing. But judging the heckling he still endures there is much missionary work for Mr. Amery to do yet.

A Communist canvasser told me today that however the things go between Mr. Dutt and Alderman Shurmer, his impression was that Mr Amery would be at the bottom of the poll.

A rough and ready Gallup poll by an impartial observer would hardly bear this out. Electors of long standing in the division with lively interest in political affairs, think that the margin between Alderman Shurmer and Mr. Amery will be so small as to require a recount of votes, but none will predict whether the seat will be retained or lost by the Conservatives.

Rubber Production In Brazil

WASHINGTON, June 27, (U. P. A.): The Department of commerce to-day reported the development of a new Brazilian rubber tree with a greater latex yield than wild trees and more resistant to leaf disease.

"It promises to be the basis for Brazil's regaining her former prominent position as one of the most important rubber producing countries of the world," the department said.

BATTLE OF SINGAPORE

Japanese Preparations Complete

LONDON, June 27. (U.P.A.): Radio Tokyo, quoting a Domei dispatch from Singapore, reported that the Japanese in Malaya have "completed preparations for a decisive battle."

The broadcast said that the "natives had organized a volunteer unit and that the Chinese population was producing arms, munitions and food."

The thousand mile railway linking Singapore with Bangkok and also the 8,300 miles of Malayan roads are coping with transport very efficiently, the broadcast said.

It added that thousands of Chinese junks are transporting goods to every corner of Malaya, regardless of the danger of enemy air and submarine attacks.

TOLL OF RYUKYUS CAMPAIGN

GUAM, June 28 (Reuter): The Ryukyus campaign cost the United States Pacific Fleet 9733 officers and men, killed, missing and wounded.

SHANKERRAO DEO ON JOURNALISM

Bombay, Wednesday.

"I have still great fascination for the journalist's work, but I must confess that I felt stifled in it, because pursuance of the truth, the whole truth and nothing but the truth is impossible in the profession, particularly if you are running a daily paper in competition with others. I, therefore, fled from the job but still crave to return it, if it is possible to adhere to truth in its practice."

In these words, Mr. Shankar Rao Deo, Member, Congress Working Committee, expressed the perplexity of his mind, while addressing the Marathi journalists of Bombay on Wednesday evening at a reception held in his honour. Mr. S. S. Navre, Editor "Prabhat" and President of the Bombay Marathi Journalists' Association, was in the chair.

"I always looked at journalism as the best profession for a person imbued with ideals of service to his fellow countrymen. I thought one's patriotic urge found the best expression in the pursuit of journalism and from personal experience of at least four journals in which I worked so far. I can say that I have no reason to change this view. The source of my inspiration to dedicate myself to public service was Lokmanya Tilak and his paper 'Kesari', although in later life. I had to find fault with the policies 'Kesari' pursued on a number of questions.

"I myself took over 'Swarajya' from the late Mr. S. M. Paranjpe. For some time I conducted 'Satyagrahi'. Later I took up the editorship of 'Lokashakti'. To-day I have retired from journalism, because while in charge of 'Lokashakti' I found that individual idealism and journalism as business go ill together. I still think that journalists organised in an association can make concerted efforts to improve the standard of their profession with a view to make it truthful by avoiding all trace of sensationalism and eliminating undesirable competition. They can and must also make concerted efforts to improve their material conditions. I despaired of carrying out all this and fled from the field but if you make it possible for me to come back to your fold, I am very anxious to do so."

Mukherjee Warns Against Acceptance

PLAN FOREBODES GRIM CONSEQUENCES FOR NATION

Threatens Country-Wide Movement Against Scheme Under Mahasabha Banner

BOMBAY, Thursday.

A stern warning that if the Wavell Plan was accepted the Hindu Mahasabha would mobilise public opinion and envisage a scheme of strong resistance, was sounded by Dr. Shyama Prasad Mukherji, the President of the Hindu Mahasabha at a Press Conference held in Bombay at noon to-day.

After issuing the threat that they would oppose the plan tooth and nail Dr. Mukherji remarked that the resentment on this occasion would be so great that it would lead to a situation which may be far worse than what happened in 1942.

Asked how the Mahasabha proposed to solve the deadlock, he replied that the present political deadlock was not created by them but was the result of the British Government refusing to part with power.

He said that if the settlement was on non-communal lines it would have been most welcome to his party as well as to every other section of Indian public opinion; but "if you accept the principle of communal representation, then, the Hindus and every other community must get its due share", he emphasised.

He deprecated the fact that the Rajaji proposals and the Desai-Liaquat Ali negotiations were all carried on behind the country's back. He pointed out that the entire nationalist press had attacked these moves consistently until Gandhiji put his seal of approval and blessed them according to the dictates of his Inner Voice. Then overnight, he observed, the press played a different tune just because one single individual was in favour of these clandestine pacts.

He further elucidated how any settlement on communal lines would be detrimental to the interests of the country and instanced the fact that the Congress had decided to work the Constitution with the object of wrecking it but was ultimately itself swallowed by the Constitution.

He then went on to show how Gandhiji had put Mr. Jinnah on a high pedestal actually at a time when his political prestige was at an ebb tide. This was when the position of the League was tottering in the N.W.F. Province; the Punjab turned Mr. Jinnah down; Sindh spurned him and Bengal did not care for him. What was Mr. Jinnah's stock in 1944? he queried and blamed the Mahatma for what Jinnah was today.

Dr. Mukherji, asserted that the Hindu Mahasabha stood for a United India. Its principle was one man, one vote and a joint electorate on democratic basis.

If the Viceroy's plan failed said Dr. Mukherji, the Congress, the Mahasabha and organisations representing other communities should join together and pool their resources in order to face the country with a common programme.

HORACE ALEXANDER DENIES ALLEGATIONS

BOSTON MASSACHUSETTS, June 27 (Reuter): Mr. Horace Alexander, the English quaker who was prominent in Bengal relief activities and has recently been carrying out an extensive lecture tour in the United States to collect funds for American relief for India, incorporated, flatly denied today the allegation made in some Indian circles, that American Relief Organisations were hoping through their programmes to convert India to Christianity.

Tories' Eleventh Hour Stunts

Opposition Parties Warn British Electors

LONDON, June 28. (Reuter)—Warnings against possible "eleventh hour election stunts by the Conservative Party" were uttered tonight by leading spokesmen of the two opposition parties.

Sir William Beveridge, author of the famous social reform plans and one of the foremost advocates of the Liberal Party in the present election contest, referred in a broadcast tonight to the fact that Prime Minister Churchill would have "the last word in broadcasting" on Saturday (when the series of nightly election broadcasts by speakers of all major parties comes to an end) and added, "in previous elections one of the parties has sometimes tried to spring a mine on the other at the last moment. If anything of that sort happens this time, remember that whatever is said to you at the last moment, when it cannot be answered, is probably said at that particular moment because it is untrue."

The Leader of the Labour Party, Mr. Clement R. Attlee, the man who will head the British Government, if the Labour Party is returned to power, referred to "The Zenoviev Letter scare of 1924 and the Post Office Savings Life of 1931" in a letter to Labour candidates tonight. He added there was never greater need for electors to keep their minds fixed on the central issues and "resist any last-minute attempt to stampede public opinion."

Wingate Would Have Opposed Amery

BILSTON (Staffordshire) June 28. (Reuter): Gen. Orde Wingate, the famous Chindit leader in Burma, would have been a Labour candidate if he had not been killed in a plane crash. This was disclosed today by Will Nally, a former war correspondent, who is a Labour candidate here.

Wingate, said Nally, had expressed a strong preference to fight a Birmingham industrial constituency, particularly one with a strong Conservative majority. Wingate mentioned by name a prominent Conservative member who, he said, it would be a public duty for himself or any other Labour candidate to remove from British Parliamentary life as early as possible, Nally added.

The Secretary of State for India, Mr. Leopold Amery gained a large Conservative majority in the Sparbrook Division of Birmingham in the last election.

STALIN PROMOTED TO RANK OF GENERALISSIMO

LONDON, June 27. (Reuter): Moscow radio announced that Marshal Stalin had been promoted to the Rank of Generalissimo, by Order of the Supreme Soviet.

The creation of this rank was announced in a decree last night.

GANGSTER METHODS IN ELECTIONEERING

LONDON, June 28. (U.P.I.) As the polling day draws near new electioneering tactics reminiscent of the tactics of Chicago gangsters are coming to light. And these gangster tactics are particularly directed against Mr. Churchill's Labour and Liberal opponents.

In this connection, a suggestion that cars belonging to Labour and Liberal candidates were being tampered with all over the country was made last night by Commander Bell, a Liberal candidate for Central Hull.

Sir William Beveridge was due to address and open air tea time meeting at Hull yesterday. Several hundred people waited an hour and a half. Then they were told that Sir William's car had broken down, and he would not be able to appear.

Commander Bell said: "My colleagues and I believe there has been interference with cars, and think there is too much of this sort of thing going on all over the country to cars belonging to Labour and Liberal men".

CONGRESS LEAGUE DEADLOCK COMPLETE

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Azad left "Manor Ville" at about 7 p.m. after two hours discussion with Mahatma Gandhi.

Approached by the "United Press", Mr. Bhulabhai Desai said: "My visit was simply personal. I came to enquire about Gandhiji's health."

On the other side, Sir Feroz Khan Noon had a long interview with Mr. Jinnah presumably to persuade him to allot one seat to the Punjab Unionists. Dr. P. N. Banerjee, leader of the Nationalist Party in the Central Assembly and delegate to the Simla Conference, had a forty minutes' interview with the Viceroy to-day.

The Maharaja of Parlakimedi had an interview with the Viceroy at 11 this morning. This interview is stated to be in connection with the reported move to secure representation on the Council for landholders. The Viceroy also met the Chief Justice of the Federal Court to-day.

"EVERYTHING DEPENDS ON TODAY'S CONFERENCE"

Asked about the present position and whether he would place any panel of names for the Executive Council at tomorrow's conference, Maulana Azad told the "United Press": "I cannot say anything at present. We are meeting tomorrow and everything depends on tomorrow's conference."

Further asked if the Congress Working Committee would be called in Simla next week Maulana Azad replied that everything depended on tomorrow's conference. Developments at tomorrow's conference would decide the question.

Questioned if he would be meeting the Viceroy again, the Congress President stated: "I cannot say that at present. I have not yet received any communication from the Viceroy."

Enquired about his health, Maulana Azad told the "United Press" that he was not keeping very good health but he was feeling a bit well at present.

"Matter Rests With Wavell"

The A.P.I. and U.P.I. add: The Muslim League President, Mr. Jinnah, held a 90-minute discussion with the Muslim League invitees to the Leaders' Conference tonight. While no announcement has been made regarding the outcome of the discussion, a prominent League spokesman said: "The matter now rests with Lord Wavell".

This remark is interpreted to mean that the two parties, the Congress and the Muslim League, will report to Lord Wavell when the Conference resumes tomorrow that their private discussion outside the conference has not resulted in any agreement.

Mr. Jinnah went out for a walk on the Mall accompanied by a few friends.

It is learnt from talks in Congress circles that Pandit Pant is not likely to meet Mr. Jinnah today. He might see the Viceroy on behalf of the Congress President.

Giani Kartar Singh and Sardar Mangal Singh met Mr. Jinnah this afternoon and had discussions for about half an hour.

League May Allow One Congress Muslim

A later message says: Enquiries in informed circles regarding the reported hitch in the progress of the negotiations between the Congress and the League over the formation of the Executive Council, elicit that while the League is inclined to allow one Congress Muslim to come in, it is not prepared to accept the position that only three Muslims should be left to be selected by the League.

A probable alternative appears to be that the number of Muslims and "caste" Hindus might be raised to six and of six Muslims four might be selected by the League and two by the Congress.

While Mr. Jinnah is reported to be still inclined to stick to his view, it is understood great influence is at work to arrive at some satisfactory settlement so that the conference might come to a successful conclusion.

LEAGUE INVITEES UNANIMOUS

Nawabzada Liaquat Ali Khan, Secretary, All-India Muslim League in a statement to the Press says: "My attention has been drawn to the news that has appeared in a certain section of the Press that there are differences of opinion between Mr. Jinnah and some of the Muslim League invitees to the Conference. This is absolutely false and mischievous."

America Wants India To Be Her Prosperous Customer

NEW YORK, June 28. (Reuter): The "New York Herald Tribune" says in a leader to-day "It is excellent news and much to the credit of the British that progress is being made in the Indian discussions.

The outcome is of concern to Americans as in world trade, most of India is now worthless as a market because of the dire poverty of the people.

Indian leaders insist that under self-government they can raise the economic level. If they can, they will also be aiding Americans as this country makes its best profits in foreign trade in dealing with prosperous peoples of the world".

Not So Gloomy

Brisk political activity is in progress in the camps of both Maulana Azad and Mr. Jinnah to-day.

Though pessimism prevails over the possibility of a Congress-League agreement, a prominent Congress leader told the "United Press": "There is nothing to be gloomy about. Though the situation remains where it was day before yesterday, elements are at work and something may still come out".

To quote a prominent Leaguer: "Miracles do take place. And in the ranges of the Himalayas nothing is unlikely".

NEW JOB FOR STETTINIUS

To Be U. S. Secy. Of Security Council And Chairman Of U. S. Delegation In Assembly

INDEPENDENCE, MISSOURI, June 27 (Reuter): President Truman tonight announced the resignation of Mr. Edward Stettinius as Secretary of State.

He is to be the American representative on the Security Council and Chairman of the United States Delegation in the General Assembly set up by the San Francisco Conference.

President Truman's statement in the form of a letter to Mr. Stettinius continued: "You accepted that responsibility. It was a very grave responsibility. The San Francisco Conference has now fulfilled its purpose. The Charter of the United Nations has been written.

"You have every reason to be proud of your part in this achievement from the beginning."

Mr. Stettinius became Under-Secretary of State on September 26, 1943 in succession to Mr. Sumner Welles. Previously he had held the post of Lease-Lend Administrator.

In November last year he was appointed Secretary of State in succession to Mr. Cordell Hull.

Fifty-five years old, he is one of the youngest of the world's prominent statesmen.

TRUMAN PLEDGES SERVICE TO CAUSE OF PEACE

'Big 3' Meeting Will Find Formula For Peace For Generations, He Says

MISSOURI, June 27 (Reuter): President Truman addressing a gathering here—his hometown—to-night said he hoped the approaching 'Big Three' meeting would find a formula for a final Peace Treaty "that will insure peace for generations." He said he regarded his task as winning the war and finding a peace that will work.

"That is all I shall devote my time to from now on" he said.

"I have another ordeal facing me in the so-called 'Big Three' meeting when we shall attempt the preliminaries of a Peace Treaty which, we hope, will ensure peace for generations to come. We cannot afford to have spilled the blood of the cream of manhood of all United Nations without a just reward. We cannot allow that expenditure of life to have been in vain."

Entire Island Of Luzon Liberated

END OF ONE OF MOST SAVAGELY AND BITTERLY FOUGHT CAMPAIGNS

LONDON June 28. (Reuter): The entire island of Luzon in the Philippines with a population of 800,000 is now liberated General MacArthur announced to-day.

The campaign for the reduction of Luzon, which has lasted almost six months began with the American landing on January 9 this year in Lingayen Gulf on the north-west coast, writes Devender Anand, Reuter's special correspondent.

The invasion was one of the biggest amphibious operations of the war. American troops immediately moved south towards Manila the capital of the island which fell three weeks later on February 4.

Thirteen days later Americans were back in Bataan one of the last strongholds where General MacArthur put up his epic defence during the Japanese invasion of 1942.

Luzon is now being rapidly built up into a huge navy army and air force rear base from which to push on the attack against the China coast and Japan proper.

The liberation of Luzon was accomplished by two American columns which, converging from the north and south joined and secured the entire length of Cagayan valley the heart of Luzon.

This brings to an end of the most savagely and bitterly fought campaigns in military history. Well over 100,000 Japanese are known to have been killed on the island and the graves of many more have been located but not counted. American losses were just over 15,000 killed wounded and missing.

Total American casualties for the Ryukyus campaign—fleet army and marine on Okinawa—are now reported to be 46,319.

The Ryukyus campaign cost the United States Pacific Fleet 9,731 officers and men killed, missing and wounded.

A small Japanese convoy has been wiped out in a naval action in the northern Pacific by an American task force, presumably composed of cruisers and destroyers prowling on the Okhotsk sea, which lies between the Russian-held Kamchatka Peninsula and the Siberian mainland. The action took place west of Kuriles. This is the first penetration reported by American warship in this part of the Pacific. Three Japanese ships were sunk, one probably sunk and a small vessel damaged.

2 Jap Suicide Bombs Take Heavy Toll

WASHINGTON June 27. (Reuter): Three hundred and seventy-three of the crew were killed, 19 are missing and 264 were wounded in a fire, after hits by two Japanese suicide planes on Bunker hill, informs Admiral Marc A. Mitcher's flag-carrier off Okinawa on May 2.

Japs Withdrawing From China's "Rice Bowl" Area

U. S. Fighter Pilots Blast 240-Mile Stretch Of Retreat Road

CHUNGKING, June 27 (U.P.A.): Japanese forces are reported to be withdrawing from China's "Rice Bowl" area around Tunting Lake and Changsha under attack from American fighter pilots who have already blasted the 240-mile stretch of retreat road, including the disused railroad bed skirting the eastern shore of Tunting Lake between Yochow and Changsha, according to front reports reaching here today.

In Kwangsi Province, Chinese forces drove the Japanese to the western outskirts of Liuchow and killed one hundred troops of the rear-guard Japanese garrison.

Tributes To South Kanara Philanthropist

(From A Correspondent.)

MANGALORE, June 24

To commemorate the memory of his late wife Mrs. Chandramma, Mr. B. R. Kerkera, the richest business magnate of South Kanara, made a gift of a building to Souter Hostel for Billavas at Pentlandpet by way of a Boarding House (for Billava students) the opening ceremony of which was performed by Rao Bahadur P. Ramadass, the Collector of South Kanara District, on June 23. The Souter Hall was packed to its capacity.

Welcoming the President, Rao Bahadur P. Ramadass, Rao Bahadur Giriappa recapitulated in brief the early life sketch, the sufferings and sacrifices of Mr. B. R. Kerkera and how his late wife Chandramma always cooperated with him and showed spirit of sacrifice till 1934 when she breathed her last (at Assam). He explained how she contributed to that stream of kindly deeds and generous sacrifice which sweetens and fertilises the world. He finally stressed how Mr. Kerkera, at a time when the district of South Kanara was threatened with famine purchased each Moora of Rice for Rs. 12 and sold it at Rs. 9 an act of charity which no man in the District of South Kanara can ever forget.

The President in the course of his speech paid a glowing tribute to the various services rendered by Mr. B. R. Kerkera and especially to his Billava community. Alhough he trod the earth as a poon man from the lowest rung of the ladder, the joy of service for suffering humanity for his community in particular and the people in general lay keen and bright, like a rainbow on his tears.

Profit Taking On N. Y. Stock Exchange

NEW YORK, June 27, (Reuter): Wall Street opened irregular and moderately active. Steels, Aircrafts and some Rails advanced fractionally, but numerous leaders were inactive or slightly lower. Stock splitups and the prospects of good post-war business created some demand while favourable earnings and dividends propped individual issues. Aviations and Airtransports continued to advance up to two points with many touching new high levels and steels and selected industrials following. The desire to invest funds and the recapitalisation plans furnished props for individuals pivotal stocks. But the belief that a technical correction was in the offing caused trimming of accounts and some profit-taking. The session closed irregular.

American Telephone 175-3/4 (174-7/8) Amerex Corpn. 33.3/4 (33.3/4). Anaconda Copper 35-5/8 (35-1/2). Chase National Bank 45.1/8 (44-3/4). Consolidated Oil 16-1/4 (16.7/8) Firestone Tyre 63-1/4 (63), General Electric 43-3/8 (43-3/4), General Motors 69-1/4 (69-1/2) Ingarsol Rand 117 (117), International Nickel 35-1/4 (35-1/4). National City Bank 48.1/4 (47-3/4). New York Central Rail 31-3/8 (31.1/2). Socony Vacuum 16.1/2 (16-1/2). Texas Corpn. 53-1/4 (53-1/2). Union Carbon 89.1/2 (89.1/2) U. S. Smelting 67-1/2 (69), U S. Steel 71-3/8 (71.1/4) Western Union 49-7/8 (49-5/8).

Sugar To Be Shipped To Spain

WASHINGTON, June 27, (U. P. A.): Government sources to-day said that about 60,000 tons of sugar from the Britain-America-Canada controlled sugar pool may be shipped to Spain to carry out war time trade agreements with that country.

HANDGRENADE THROWN AT FRENCH DELEGATE

BEIRUT, June 27 (Reuter).—Three Syrian civilians were wounded, one of them seriously, when a hand-grenade was this morning thrown at the French delegate in Aleppo. M. Emile Desire Fauquenot, said an official French announcement here tonight.

A grenade was also thrown into the garden of M. Fauquenot's house early this morning. the announcement added.

Sir Mangaldas V. Mehta Dead

Dr. Sir Mangaldas Mehta, a leading medical consultant and Chief Honorary Medical Officer, Nowrosjee Wadia Maternity Hospital, Parel, died in Bombay on Wednesday, aged 62.

After getting L.M. and S. degree in 1908 he went to England to specialise in midwifery. After working for some time in the Queen Charlette Hospital, London, he joined the Rotunda Hospital, in Ireland, and passed the L. M. and the M. R. C. P. examinations in 1909. He was the first Indian to be elected a Fellow of the Royal College of Physicians, Ireland.

On his return to India, he set up practice. In 1921 he was associated with Sir Norman Walker in the inquiry into facilities for the teaching of Midwifery in Bombay Province; He induced Sir Ness Wadia to start a maternity hospital in the mill area.

Sir Mangaldas was nominated a Fellow of Bombay University in 1921 and was later appointed Dean of the Faculty of Medicine. He was also a member of the Syndicate, the Academic Council and the Post-graduate Board. He had been a nominated member of the Municipal Corporation for nearly nine years. He was the President of the Bombay Infant Welfare Society and was intimately associated with the Bombay Presidency Nurses', Midwives and Health Visitors' Council, of which he was Vice-President. He was elected a Fellow of the College of Obstetrics and Gynaecologists, London, in 1937. He was also a member of the Bombay Medical Council for five years.

He was Knighted in 1936. He was the younger brother of Sir Chunilal V. Mehta.

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Imperial Bank Of India

Statement of the Affairs of the Imperial Bank of India on the 22nd June, 1945:—

LIABILITIES.

CAPITAL:—Rs 5,62,50,000. Reserve Fund Rs. 6,00,00,000; Fixed Deposit, Savings Bank, Current and other Accounts Rs. 237,53,64,000; Sundries Rs. 2,66,59,000; Total Rs. 251,83,73,000.

ASSETS.

INVESTMENTS:—Government Securities Rs. 138,64,30,000; Other Authoris. ed Investment Rs. 4,53,85,000; ADVANCES:—Loans Rs. 14,68,58,000; Cash Credits and Overdrafts Rs. 47,29,27,000; Bills Discounted and Purchased Rs. 3,88,17,000; Dead Stock Rs. 1,53,92,000; Sundries Rs. 1,39,24,000. In hand and with the Reserve Bank of India Rs. 38,18,00,000; Balances with other Banks Rs. 1,57,40,000. Total Rs 251,82,73,000.

Worth Street Still Quiet

NEW YORK, June 27, (U. P. A.): Traders on the Worth Street Cloth Market remained in active to-day and watched an army cancellation of four million yards of overcoating cloth for the third quarters and a work stoppage order on the production of overcoats.

Selling agents reported moderate allocations against July and August production but the overall activity was limited.

INDIAN PRISONERS OF WAR RETURN

Fresh Batch Of 1,600 Arrives In Bombay

A batch of more than 1 600 liberated Indian prisoners of war has recently arrived in Bombay. It includes 179 V.C.O.'s, and 600 merchant seamen.

Originally coming from different parts of India, these men were at first captured in Italy and were later removed to the concentration camps in Germany. They were there in the very thick of the war, and as some of the officers said to a representative of this paper, they had the misfortune to be bombed by their own people. They remained there for over four years, when suddenly, one fine morning, they awoke to find themselves freed by their American brethren.

Having reached Bombay, the Gateway of India, after many trials and tribulations the men will be shortly going on leave to their respective places.

About 200 officers of this newarrived batch had a pleasant time at the Convocation Hall last night when they were entertained to a party by Capt. Mitchison, the local Sub-area Welfare Officers.

Evatt On Peace Through Charter

SAN FRANCISCO, June 27. (U. P. A.): "The World now has reason to hope that the San Francisco Charter will prove a solid foundation in the struggle to prevent war and improve the lot of mankind", says Australia's Foreign Minister, Dr. Herbert Evatt, in an article written exclusively for the United Press of America.

"Much more than the covenant of the League of Nations, this charter is the result of frank and fearless debates", Dr. Evatt continues. "One of the most important steps taken by the Charter is to establish the Social and Economic Council as one of the principal organs of the United Nations.

"Perhaps the most valuable aspect of this section of the Charter is the clause whereby all nations pledged to work together to bring about higher standards of living everywhere and provide jobs for all who want to work", Dr. Evatt says.

"It now becomes the responsibility of all powers, greater and lesser, to see that these rights and obligations are exercised and discharged in complete loyalty to the Charter and its objectives of Security and Welfare.

"Lesser powers will have great opportunity for service at meetings of the General Assembly of the Organization.

"I also am confident", the Australian leader says, "that the Conference will lead to closer understanding between the less powerful nations and the Soviet Union. I am confident that the Conference will lessen the suspicions which the Soviet Union has had of international conferences.

"One final word of warning: It would be tragic if nations thought that World Peace will be secured by the Charter alone.

"At the present moment, Japan—the Third Axis power—still is warring against us in the Pacific in a ferocious war which has levied such an especially heavy toll of nations like the United States and Australia.

"Japan must be defeated at the earliest possible moment in order to save the precious lives of our soldiers, sailors and airmen".

DESTRUCTION OF AMERICAN EQUIPMENT IN ENGLAND

Agreement With Manufacturers Suspected

(From Our Correspondent)

LONDON, June 27.

The mystery of what is being planned to be done with the unwanted United States equipment at the conclusion of hostilities—a question which has been asked in every country wherein Americans have been stationed—has again cropped up. Mr. J. B. Priestley electioneering at Slough said that at the large American Hospital at North Hereford about to be dispensed, thousands of sheets and blankets were put on fire and burnt. Tons of crockery were crushed by steamrollers. No less than seven Grand Pianos were also smashed up. Mr. Priestley said that he wished to make it clear that no blame attaches to the officers and men of the American army. The reason it happened was that they were chained to the "lunatic system of profit before distribution". He declined to amplify the latter remarks.

There is a widely held belief in England that the United States Government entered into agreements with manufacturers to liquidate at the end of war the goods which are liable to compete with the peacetime manufacture. While this may be no more than a rumour it is felt here that an authoritative announcement from the American Government would do much to clear the air. It may also clear the air in India where a large number of Americans are stationed.

ENEMY PROPERTY IN U. S. MAY BE CONFISCATED

WASHINGTON, June 27 (Reuter):—Congress may be asked to decree permanent confiscation of German and Japanese national's property in the United States, Senator Harley M. Kilgore, Chairman of the War Mobilisation Sub-Committee of the Senate Military Affairs Committee revealed to-day when he made public a testimony by the Alien Property Custodian Mr. James E. Narkham.

"It is contemplated that German and Japanese assets hitherto blocked by the treasury shall be vested and liquidated by the Alien Property Custodian", Mr. Markham said.



Joan Fontaine and Laurence Olivier in "Rebecca".



Chester Morris and Nancy Kelly in "Double Exposure".

SHOW WORLD

Strand: 2nd Run

"Rebecca" (United Artists).
Stars: Laurence Olivier, Joan Fontaine.
Director: Alfred Hitchcock.
Type of Film: Mystery.

Here is a faithful screen dramatization of Daphe du Maurier's famous novel. The same macabre atmosphere which exuded from the book, dominates the picture.

To Manderley, the Tudor estate of Maxim de Winter, comes his second wife a young and unsophisticated girl, very much in love with her morose husband. Over the entire household there hangs the brooding influence of the first wife—the dead Rebecca. This haunting influence is kept alive by the housekeeper, Mrs. Danvers, fanatical in her devotion to her former mistress. Suspense is cleverly preserved throughout the film as it slowly unravels the curious circumstances that led to the death of the vicious Rebecca.

Maxim de Winter is played by Olivier with the right degree of gloom. As the shy, retiring second wife, Joan Fontaine is very convincing and easily moves one to pity. Judith Anderson as the housekeeper, overemphasises the story and fearsome nature of the character she portrays.

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Metro: 11th Run

"Bathing Beauty" (M-G-M)
Stars: Red Skelton, Esther Williams.
Type of Film: Technicolor Musical

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STAGE SHOW
at
The Excelsior

"Ten Little Coloured Boys".
A "thriller" presented by ENSA.

INCONSEQUENTIAL BUT MIRTH-PROVOKING COMEDY
at
The Eros: 1st Run

"Double Exposure (Paramount). Stars: Nancy Kelly, Chester Morris.
Director: William Berke.

This picture abounds with improbable situations; but the touch of humour employed in their presentation converts the entire story into a highly amusing piece of entertainment.

The story revolves round a female trick photographer whose speciality is faking pictures while that of her boss is to publish them in the pictorial magazine he edits. For the purpose of illustrating the Murder Mystery section of the journal, the girl and her boy friend, from way back nome, enter the flat of a wealthy playboy and take a trick photograph of the girl lying in the posture of a murdered woman and wearing a negligee belonging to the playboy's wife whom he is about to divorce. The wife is suddenly found murdered in exactly the same position and in the same attire. The girl photographer is arrested. Her editor, who in the meanwhile, has fallen in love with her, sets out to prove her innocence. He adopts an ingenious method which exposes the real murderer, and of course wins him the hand of his fair employee.

Chester Morris, the "Sergeant Grischa" of the early thirties, plays his role well, but it is a pity to see an actor of his calibre in such a light part. Nancy Kelly gives a good account of herself as the photographer, but Phillip Terry is entirely wasted as the boy-hood sweet-heart.

The action of the story is fast and the dialogue witty. See this picture if you want to be amused.

Along with the foregoing picture, will be shown a four-reel short, "The Memphis Belle". It depicts the 25th bombing trip over enemy-occupied Europe by a famous flying fortress and the heroism of its crew.

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SUNDAY MORNING SHOWS

METRO—10 a.m.: "Stand By For Action"—Robert Taylor, Bian Donley and Laughton.
STRAND—10-30 a.m.: "Under-Cover Man"—William Boyd. Also, "Lost Canyon."
PALACE—10-30 a.m.: 'Ball of Fire" —Gary Cooper, Barbara Stanwyck.
AURORA—10-30 a.m.: "Clancy of the Mounties"—Entire serial in one sitting.
PARADISE—10-30 a.m.: "Pittsburgh" —Marlene Dietrich, John Wayne.
EROS—10 a.m.: "The Hour Before The Dawn"—Veronica Lake and Franchot Tone.
REGAL—10-30 a.m.: "Sweet Rosie O'Grady"—Betty Grable, Robert Young.

Aurora (Matunga)

Fri. Mon: "Casanova Brown"—Gary Cooper and Teresa Wright in a romantic comedy.
Tues. Thurs: "Snow White And The Wray and Bruce Cabot in a celluloid fantasy.

Palace (Byculla)

Fri. Mon: "The Ghost Catchers"—Olsen and Johnson in a musical comedy.
Tues. Thurs: "Show White And The Seven Dwarfs"—Walt Disney Animated Cartoon.

The New Empire: 1st Run

"The Three Caballeros" (Disney)
Stars: Donald Duck, Joe Carioca and Panchito.

Walt Disney breaks new ground in this cartoon by bringing together live and animated characters.

Donald Duck, Joe Carioca the Brazilian Parrot, and Panchito the Rooster, set out to capture the hearts of three lovely damsels—Aurora Miranda, Dora Luz and Carmen Molina.

The musical background to the picture has been supplied by Latin American 'tunesters'. The scene of the story shifts from Acafenico to Brazil, and introduces such quaint characters as Pabio, the penguin with cold feet, and a donkey called the "Flying Burrito".

If you like animated cartoons, this one will certainly appeal to you.

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The Regal: 1st Run

"The Fighting Lady" (20th Century Fox).

Type of Film: Technicolour Documentary.

Commentary By Lt. Robert Taylor of the U. S. Navy Air Forces.

This is a well-photographed feature—length documentary dealing with an air-craft carrier and the exploits of its crew against the Japanese in the South Pacific.

The shots were taken during actual flights over enemy territory in the fighting at Marcus, Guam, Saipan, etc. Particular emphasis is laid on the varying roles of the crew and their emotions. Robert Taylor's commentary is very lucid.

If you like excitement, this picture will satisfy you.

Rail-Road Transport Monopoly Scheme

Latthe Urges Governors Not To Commit Themselves Before Restoration Of Popular Govt. In Provinces

BELGAUM, June 27. (A.P.I.): Mr. A. B. Latthe, former Finance Minister of Bombay, in a statement issued to-day suggests that the management of the proposed rail-road transport scheme should be left to private agencies, while Government should retain full authority to control and regulate it.

Mr. Latthe says:

"It seems that the Railway Board, the Provincial Governments and the present motor transport operators have decided to monopolise the road transport service by forming joint-stock companies among themselves. There is a controversy about the share of the operators in this monopoly concern. But what is certain under these arrangements is that the interests of the public in the transport service on roads are not being considered in the way they should be considered. The Provincial Governments are really concerned with the protection of these interests. But by assuming financial interest in the business and by sharing the responsibility between the railways and bus-operators, they are considerably reducing their own powers for discharging their duties as the guardians of public interests. I think they should have taken up the entire road transport as their own affair and made it a national concern.

"Possibly, the Provincial Governments would have been in the strongest position as trustees of public interests by leaving the management of the service to others and retaining full authority to control and regulate it. Whatever course they may have chosen, the one they have chosen seems to be the least suited to serve the public efficiently and economically. What is even more strange is that the Provincial Governments under Governor's Rule are hurrying forward with the scheme to surrender their constitutional powers to others, even when the chances of their own conversion into responsible Governments are so hopeful. It would be wise on the part of the Governors to refuse to commit themselves to any policy in this matter, till the representatives of the public take up their legitimate duties of Government in the provinces".

Champion Of Maternity And Child Welfare

CITY FATHERS' TRIBUTES TO LATE MANGALDAS MEHTA

A resolution placing on record its sense of sorrow at the death of Dr. Sir Mangaldas V. Mehta, was passed at a meeting of the Bombay Municipal Corporation on Thursday. Thereafter, the Corporation adjourned as a mark of respect to the deceased.

Dr. Alban D'Souza, Mayor, making a brief reference to the subject said that the late Sir Mangaldas "held a prominent place in the medical profession and took keen interest in medical relief, specially maternity and child welfare. It was largely due to his efforts that ante-natal and post-natal facilities were made available in several Municipal and other maternity homes and dispensaries in the city. He was also largely responsible for the facilities provided in the city and Bombay Province for the teaching of midwifery. He had presented to the Corporation an ambulance car for carrying maternity cases to hospital, which was a great boon to the public. Besides his civic activities, the late Dr. Sir Mangaldas was connected with several other educational, benevolent and charitable institutions. In him the city has lost a very enthusiastic worker in the cause of medical relief. Our sympathies go to the family of the deceased in their sad bereavement."

Mr. Jamnadas Dwarkadas moved the resolution which said: "the Corporation have learnt with deep regret of the sad death on Wednesday, the 27th June 1945 of Dr. Sir Mangaldas V. Mehta, Kt. O.B.E., who was a member of the Corporation from 1929 to 1938, a member of its Medical Relief and Public Health Committee for several years and its Chairman for the year 1931-32 and who as an active worker in the cause of medical relief especially in the branches of maternity and child welfare and generally as a public spirited citizen rendered very valuable services to the city."

Mr. Nagindas Master, Prof. Sohrab Davar Mr. M. U. Mirchandani, the Municipal Commissioner, Mr. Mohanlal Desai, Mr. Madhavlal Bhat, Mrs. Lilavati Munshi and Mr. Shivdas Chapsey, associated themselves with the sentiments of the resolution and eulogised the qualities and services of the late Dr. Sir Mangaldas V. Mehta.

LUCKNOW, June 28. (O.P.I.): Pt. Jawaharlal Nehru's criticism of the Communist Party's policy during the past three years is very much deplored in local communist circles. Dr. Z. A. Ahmed, U.P. Communist Leader has left for Allahabad where he is expected to meet Panditji and acquaint him with the standpoint of the Communists.

Indian Industrialist's Tale Of Woe

Difficulty Of Getting Plant And Machinery From British Manufacturers

LONDON, June 28. (U.P.I.): "It is now over a week since I arrived here in search of machinery and plant for my various projects. I must confess, however, that so far I have received no response from any quarter. I am rather disappointed", said Mr. Rabindranath Dutta of Calcutta to the "United Press of India".

He is a well-known Indian industrialist who controls the Mahalaxmi Cotton Mills, Bengal Canning and Condiments Works, National Drug Company, India Oil Plastics, Dehri Oil Refinery and India Collective Farms Ltd.

Mr. Dutta added: "All that I could get by way of assurance from British manufacturers of heavy goods is a promise to supply me with goods at their price if and when they have goods to spare.

"I will not be rash and say that we should give up the idea of securing goods from Britain, but it is increasingly growing supreme that we should explore the markets of countries like Czechoslovakia for heavy goods. It is true that Czechoslovakia and France are at the moment war-torn countries. But most reports suggest that their industrial plants are more or less intact. It is equally true that these countries have no raw materials to work their factories. It follows logically, therefore, that they will be only too glad to sell machinery and equipment to India.

Of course, we must not neglect exploring possibilities of a deal with the U.S.A. but continental countries must also be explored".

Ela Sen Covers Election Front

LONDON, June 28. (Reuter): The scene that is Britain to-day on the eve of possibly the most momentous general election in the history of the country is being described through the eyes of Ela Sen, Indian writer and authoress. Ela Sen has just arrived in Britain by air and is covering the news front there from the Indian viewpoint as a Reuter Guest Commentator.

QUEEN MARY'S GIFT TO INDIAN WAR PRISONERS.

LONDON, June 28. (Reuter): Indian prisoners of war in Britain, who are awaiting repatriation, have had a parcel from Queen Mary. The parcel, which was sent with her Majesty's best wishes for happy home-coming included darts, cards, pingpong and other games.

MADRAS L. C. PARTY MEETING

MADRAS, June 27. (A. P. I.):—The meeting of the Madras Legislature Congress Party announced to be held on July 2 has been postponed to July 15, since it now appears that the Simla Conference is not likely to conclude presently, and that the advice of the Congress Working Committee may not be available to the party by July 2, and since several members of the Party including those in detention have suggested postponement.

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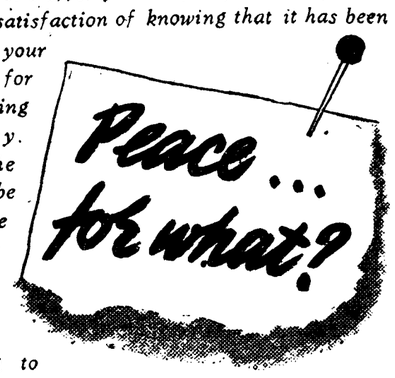
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Narrow Price Movement On Bombay Stock Exchange

SILVER RULES QUIET ON PERSISTENT SELLING

Cotton Quotations Sag Under Scattered Selling

BOMBAY, June 28.

It was a dull session today on the Bombay Stock Exchange where scattered jobbing business was recorded. Quotations moved within a narrow range and net changes did not disclose any important change.

Silver ruled quiet on persistent selling while Gold was quiet. There was some long liquidation in the Cotton market.

The Bombay Stock Exchange was featureless with a restricted turnover and in the absence of any important business quotations fluctuated within a narrow range. Steel Shares were quietly steady while cotton mill shares found some buying. Tata Steel Dfds opened at Rs. 2176 and improved to Rs. 2180 but reacted to Rs 2176 Ordinary Shares were unchanged at Rs. 398, Bombay Dyeing Shares opened at Rs 1875 and improved to Rs. 1880 but steadied at Rs 1876. Kohinoor Mill Shares opened at Rs 594 and advanced to Rs 597.

MILL SHARES

Bombay Dyeing 1874/12, Century 900, Nagpur 368/6, Swadeshi 522, New Great 371, Simplex 281, Kohinoor 595, Colaba 215, Gokak 295, Phoenix 621/4, Mysore 280, Indian Bleaching 162, Swan 306, Finlay 285, Morarji 731/4, Indore 683/12, Edward Sassoon 615.

STEEL SHARES.

Tata Steel Ord. 396/8, Tata Steel Dfd. 2171/4.

ELECTRICS.

Tata Hydro 204, Andhra 1780, Tata Power 1822/8, Tram Ord. 142/8.

CEMENT.

Associated Meger 205.

INDUSTRIES.

Burma 515, Alcock 400, Bellapur 219/8, Shivrajpur 49/8, Steamer Ord. 585, Scindia 37/4, Pre. Construction 217.

CASH SECTION.

MILLS: Apollo 3/13/9, Elphinstone 80, E. U. Ord. 13/11/6, Dfds. 2/13/9, Indian Mfg. 3855, Kuria 230, Khatav 320, Dawn 1080, New City 357/8, Minerva 232/8, Bradbury 297/8, Bharucha Dfd. 8, Bharat 58, Madhavji 17/3, Model 246/4, Laxmi Cotton 1340, Vishnu Cotton 486/4, Western 3410, Sholapur 6975, Sassoon Cotton 20/8, Hindustan 3610, Meyer Sassoon 188/12, Tata Mills 57/8, Ahd. Advance 400, Sassoon Silk 78, New Union 23, Poddar 326/4, Madhusudan 426/4, New 83, Shri Nivas 360, Raja Bahadur Poona 126/4, Berar 300.

ELECTRICS.

Ahmedabad 238/2, Surat 236, Surat New Premium 113/2, Karachi 235/10, Ajmer 14/14, Amalgamated 18/2, Jalgaon 11/2, Nagpur 48, Bombay Suburban 207/8, New Premium 100.

BANKS.

Reserve 138, Imperial 2002/8, P. P. 506/4, Central 81/12, India 191/8 Union 8/15 Baroda 144/8, Habib 79/4, International 46, A. B. C. 35, Dena Bank 67, United 70/12, Jaipur 67, Hindustan 53/12, National Savings F. P. 70/4, P. F. 39, Mysore 380, Exchange 53.

INSURANCE.

Oriental 6490, Empire 1100, New India 82/8, Jupiter 30, Vulcan 17/14, Ind. Mercantile 68, Universal 15/10, Vasant 25, Bri. I. Gen. 23, Bombay Life 875, Ind. Prud. 52.

RAILWAYS.

And. Prantij 725, C. P. 197/12, Mymensing Reb. 111/8, Gusti 115, Mandra Bhon 110, Sara Serajganj 112/8, Sialkot 117, New 84, Upper Sindh 124, Dhond Baramati 120, Pachora 98, Hoshiarpur 117/4.

MISCELLANEOUS.

Burma New 188/12, Burma Petrol 5/8/3, Tata Oil 68/12, Mackenzie 147/8, Port Canning 105, Zandu 215, Indian Radio Ord. 455, B. 425, Dfd. 425, Indian Investment Trust 419, Wimco 317/8, Tata Chemical 20/4, Dharamsi Chemical 44/5, Eastern Chemical 12/4, Mukund Iron 12/8, Dena Trust 26, Alembic 318/12, Supreme Industries 196/4, Jam Wire 144/8, Bombay Uganda 61, Bombay Cycle 35, Indian Cement (1937) 34, Walchand Nagar Industries 535, Associated Cement Coupon 9/8.

GOLD AND SILVER

The Reserve Bank of India sold today 100 bars Silver at Rs 132 and 20,000 tolas Gold at Rs 77.

The market was active today with increased business Professional operators are fighting hard to turn the market in their favour but Bears are gaining ground. However after the recent heavy decline the market is meeting some resistance but the improvement attracts increased selling pressure

Forward Gold opened today at Rs 76/13 and improved to Rs. 77/3 under moderate covering and later steadied at Rs 77/1. Ready Gold was quoted at a premium of annas seven at Rs 77/8. Silver section is full of speculative activity and active buying and selling in turn influence the trice trend. Forward Silver opened today at Rs 131/15 and improved to Rs 132/3 under scattered covering but declined to Rs 131/6 on increased selling. Later the market steadied at Rs 131/8. Ready Silver was placed at Rs 131/10/6.

The Silver market was again depressed on persistent selling from professional operators. Closing quotations were as under:—

	Rs.	as.	p.
Ready Silver	129	6	0
Silver Settlement	129	3	0
Ready Gold	76	10	0
Gold Settlement	76	1	0
Sovereigns	51	14	0

BOMBAY COTTON

The local cotton market opened today at Rs 423/8 for July delivery and improved to Rs 424 under scattered buying. Later on there was no follow up in the buying side and quotation gradually sagged to Rs 422/8. The market steadied at this level. It is generally believed that the syndicate will take up all tenders against July and shorts will have to cover.

Later on there was scattered selling and July declined to Rs. 421/4. At this level some covering appeared. The market finally closed at 6 p.m. as under:—

I.C.C. July	421	4	0
I.C.C. Sept.	432	4	0

COTTON PARITY

BOMBAY, June 28.

Indian Cotton July Contract is 652 cent points below New York July at Exchange rate 331.

HIGH & LOW COTTON PRICES

BOMBAY, June 28.

I C C July Highest 425-1/4 Lowest 421.1/2 Closing at 6 p m 423-3/4

I C C Sept. Highest 436.1/2 Lowest 433-1/2 Closing at 6 p m 434-1/4

Karachi 4F July Highest 44/4/0 Lowest 43/9/6 Closing at 6 p m 44/1/6

Agreement Over Price Control Improves N. Y. Cotton Prices

NEW YORK, June 27, (Reuter): The cotton market opened steady. The market was hesitant assisting conferees' disposition of the differences over price control and fresh incentives from other directions. Prices then sagged under liquidation in July against five notices and other scattered selling attributable to a generally favourable interpretation of the weekly weather report but on the other hand private reports are stressing heavy weevil infestations. Prices latterly steadied on the conferees' agreement over price control legislation. The session closed very steady.

NEW YORK COTTON

July	23.84+05
October	22.66+05
October highest (3 p m)	22.87+06
October lowest (11-27 a m	22.79—02
December	22.81+05
January	22.78+05
March	22.75+05
May	22.70+04
July	22.49+02
Middling Spot	23.31+05

NEW YORK COTTON

July	22.82
October	22.82
December	22.75

NEW ORLEANS COTTON

July	22.82+03
October	23.85+03
December	22.81+04
March	22.74+03
Middling Spot	22.45—

LONDON STOCK EXCHANGE

LONDON, June 27.

Rupee Paper 3.1/2 p c	72.3/4
Consols 2-1/2 p c	83-1/4
Conversion Loan 3-1/2 1961	106.2/16
War Loan 3.1/2 p c	104
Funding Loan 4 p c 1960/90	113 3/4
Victory Bonds 4 p c	114
Chartered Bank of I. A and China	11.13/16
Hongkong and Shanghai Bank London Reg.	88
National Bank of India	41-3/4

LONDON EXCHANGES

LONDON, June 27.

T. T. London on :—

New York sellers 4.02-1/2 buyers 4.03.1/2 Madrid official 44.00 Montreal sellers 4.43 buyers 4.47 Zurich sellers 17.3 buyers 17.4 Stockholm sellers 16.85 buyers 16.95

RECORD OF ACTUAL TRANSACTIONS IN SHARES

BOMBAY, June 28.

MILLS

Ahmedabad Advance 400
Apollo 3/13/9
Bharat 58
B. Dyeing 1877/8 78/12 76/4 78/12 73/12 72/8 73/12
Central India (Ord) 360/8 68/8 70 68/8
Century 900
Colaba 216 17 15
Edward 615
Elphinstone (Ord) 81 80
Elphinstone (Pref) 125
Finlay 285 85/8 85
Gokak 295
India United Defd 2/13 2/13/9
India United Ord 13/14 13/12/6 13/11/6 13/12 13/11/6
Indore 685 87/8 83/12 86/4 82/8 83/12
Kohinoor 593 97/8 95 96 94/8 95 94 95
Luxmi 1340
Madhusudan 426/4
Meger 188/12
Minerva 232/8
Model 245 46/4
Morarji 730 31/4
New Great 375 71
Shrinivas 360
Simplex 281/8 82 81/8 83 81
Swadeshi 521 22/6 21/8 22
Swan 305 6
Tata Mill 58 57/8
Vishnu 482/8 84/6
Ahmedabad Prantej Rly 725

BANKS:

A. B. C. 36
Baroda 145 44/8
Central 82 81/12
Imperial Old 2000 2002/8
Imperial New 505 6/4
India 191 91/8
International 48
National Savings (P P) 39
Reserve 139 38/8 39 37/8 38

ELECTRIC

Ahmedabad 238/2
Tram (Ord) 142/12 42/4
Tram (Pref) 68
B. Suburban 207/8
Surat 236
Hydro (Ord) 203/8 4
Hydro (Pref) 161/4
Power (Ord) 1822/8 25 22/8

INSURANCE

British India 23
Empire 1100
Jupiter 30
New India 82 82/8
Vulcan 17/12 17/14 17/8 17/10
Scindia 37/6 37/2 37/4
Tata Steel Defd 2177/8 75 77/8 75 78/12 73/12 82/8 72/8 78/12 70 72/8 71/4
Tata Steel (Ord) 298 98/8 97/8 96 97 98/8 97 97/8 96 96/8
Tata Steel 2nd Pref 165/12 65/8

MISCELLANEOUS

Alcock 397/8 400
A. Cement 204/8 4/4 5 4/8 5/12 5
Belapur 219
Burmah (Old) 520 15
B. B. Petrol 5/8 5/8/6 5/8/3
I. I. Trust 120 19
P. Construction (Ord) 217
P. Construction (2nd Pref) 134/12 35
Shivrajpur 49/8
Tata Chemical 20/3 20/8 20/4
Tata Oil 68/12 69 68/12
Walchandnagar (Ord) 507
Western India 317/8
A. Cement Letter of Renunciation 33/8 33 33/8 33
A. Cement Coupon 20 19 20 19/8
Associated Advertisers 5/2
Exchange Bank (Ord) 53

MONEY MARKET

BOMBAY, June 28.

LONDON: Banks Buying 90 Days/st. 1/6 7/32 1 and 2 months, 90 Days/st 1/6 1/4 3 to 6 months.

B. C. C. RATES: T T 1/5 15/16 D D 1/5 15/16.

Banks selling T T 1/5 31/32 D D 1/5 31/32.

Banks buying T T 1/6 1/32 D D 1/6 3/32.

LONDON/NEW YORK:

Banks selling T T Rs. 332 3/4 D D Rs. 332 3/4.

Banks buying T T Rs. 329 1/2 D D Rs. 328 1/4.

LONDON/MONTREAL:

Banks selling T T Rs. 302 1/2 D D Rs. 302 1/2.

Banks buying T T Rs. 297 3/4 D D Rs. 295 3/4.

Tone of Sterling Exchange:—Stagnant.

Reserve Bank Rate 3 p c Bank of England Rate 2 p c.

Money:—Call, one and two months 1/4 p c, 3 to 5 months 1/2 p c, 6 to 11 months 3/4 p c, 12 months 1 1/4 p c.

Tone: Easy.

CALICUT QUOTATIONS

CALICUT, June 28.

Cocoanuts Raw 79 Dry 90 Cocoanut-oil 327/8 Copra Office 215 Dilpasand 225 Madrasnottam 235 Goodgoodia 235 Pepper Wynaad 330 Country 320 Dry-ginger Chernad 230 Ernad 215 Coffee Robusta 85.

HAPUR MARKET QUOTATIONS

HAPUR, June 28.

Wheat 10/4 Gram 8/14 Peas New 7/4/3 Old 5/14/3 Bejhar 7/9/9 Arhar New 7 Old 6/7/6 Stocks yesterday 56 Barley 3 Peas 116 Arhar 89 Khattis Gur 9/2 Powder 10/8 Urad 14/8/6 Moong 10/10/9 Oats 9 Cottonseed Desi 9/8 American 7/4 Bardana Ready 52/4 to 53/8 Asuj 50/12 Gwar Ready 8/4 Mah 6/8/1-1/2 Steady Silver 132/6 Gold 7/13 steady on pessimist similar reports and bulls strong speculative drive.

N. Y. Bank Shares

NEW YORK, June 27. (U. P. A.): Prices of shares in major New York City banks declined slightly in over-the-counter trading to-day.

National City Bank of New York closed at 47 3/4 bid, 48 3/4 asked; compared with the previous close of 48 bid, 50 asked.

Chicago Grains Market

CHICACO, June 27 (Reuter): Grains ruled firm on covering and continued milling demand for wheat presumably hedge lifting against flour sales to the army which disclosed limited offerings. The congressional conferees' agreement on the price control act and the strength of deferred rye deliveries and of winning were helpful.

July 1.66-7/8 to 1.66.3/4 (1.66.3/8 to 1.66-1/2), September 1.64.5/8 to 1.64-3/4 (1.63.5/8 to 1.63.3/4), December 1.64 to 1.64 (1.63-3/8 to 1.63.3/8).

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THE MAHARASHTRA SUGAR MILLS, LIMITED.

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that the Eleventh Ordinary General Meeting of the Maharashtra Sugar Mills, Ltd., will be held on Monday, 16th of July, 1945, at 4-30 p.m. (N.S.T.), at the Registered Office of the Company, Industrial Assurance Building, Opp. Churchgate Station, Bombay, to transact the following business:—

1. To adopt the Directors' Report and Audited Statement of Accounts for the period ended 30th September, 1944.
2. To sanction payment of Dividend.
3. To elect Directors in place of Mr. S. A. Sabnis and Mr. Dattatreya M. Dahanukar, who retire by rotation, but are eligible for re-election.
4. To appoint Auditors for the current year and to fix their remuneration.
5. To transact any other business that may be brought forward by the Chairman.

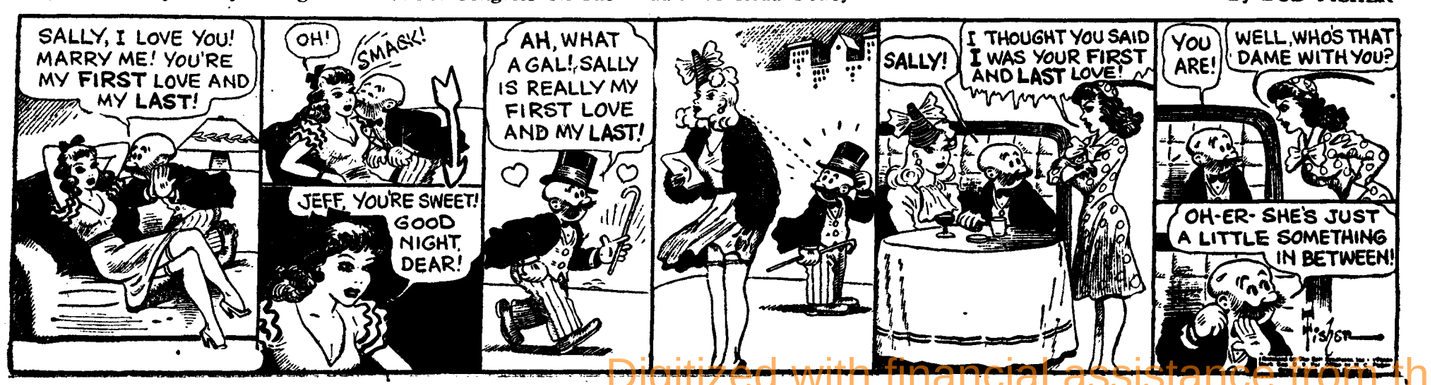
The Transfer Books of the Company will be closed from 5th day of July, 1945 to 19th day of July, 1945, both days inclusive.

By order of the Board of Directors,

M. L. DAHANUKAR & CO., LTD.,
D. M. DAHANUKAR,
Director,
Managing Agents.

Industrial Assurance Building, Opp. Churchgate Station, Fort, Bombay, 13th June, 1945.

MUTT AND JEFF—Jeff Ought To Run For Congress On The Middle Of Road Policy — By BUD FISHER



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PUBLIC NOTICES

MORVI RAILWAY

Superintendent of Stores' Office, Morvi.

About 272 empty barrels of Lubricating oils, etc.; each about 45 gallons capacity are to be sold by public auction at 11 A.M. on Tuesday, the 3rd July, 1945, in Stores office.

Those interested are requested to attend.

RAMSINH JHALA,
Superintendent of Stores,
Morvi Railway.
(3831)

PUBLIC NOTICES

APPLICATION OF THE ESSENTIAL ARTICLES RESTRICTED ACQUISITION AND POSSESSION ORDER, 1943 TO THE BELGAUM RATIONED AREA.

ORDER

Finance Department (Supply),
Bombay Castle, 19th January, 1943.

ESSENTIAL ARTICLES RESTRICTED ACQUISITION AND POSSESSION ORDER, 1943.

No. 401—I—In exercise of the powers conferred by sub-rule (2) (a) of rule 81 of the Defence of India Rules, the Government of Bombay is pleased to make the following order, namely:—

1. (1) This Order may be called the Essential Articles Restricted Acquisition and Possession Order, 1943.

(2) It extends to the whole of the Province of Bombay.

(3) It shall come into force at once in the City of Bombay and the Bombay Suburban District and the Provincial Government may by notification in the Official Gazette direct that it shall come into force in any other part of the Province of Bombay on such date as it may by the notifications appoint.

2. In this Order unless there is anything repugnant in the subject or context—

(1) 'Essential article" means any article included in the schedule to this order.

(2) "Normal quantity" means in relation to the quantity of any essential article required by any person, such quantity as would be required for use and consumption in the household or establishment or of the animals in the custody of that person during a period of one month or such longer period as ought fairly to be allowed in view of the existence of any special circumstance:

Provided that in respect of any area the Provincial Government may by notification in the Official Gazette prescribe any special basis for determining the normal quantity and thereupon the normal quantity shall be reckoned in such area on the said basis, and for this purpose a householder in such area shall be deemed to require as his normal quantity the aggregate of the quantities reckoned on the said basis in respect of each member of his household including such servants as form part of the household.

3. (1) No person shall except under the authority of a licence granted by an officer authorised by the Provincial Government in this behalf, acquire any essential article if by so doing the quantity thereof in his possession or under his control shall exceed the normal quantity required by him.

(2) The restriction in sub-clause (1) shall not apply to such part of the quantity of any essential article in the possession or under the control of any person as has been acquired by him before the coming into force of this Order, provided that no person shall acquire any further quantity of any essential article if thereby the total quantity of such article in his possession or under his control exceeds the normal quantity required by him:

Provided that the foregoing restrictions shall not apply to the acquisition in the ordinary course of his business of any essential article by a person carrying on the business of a producer, dealer, manufacturer, carrier or warehouse-man.

3-A. (1) No person shall, on and after such date as may be notified by the Provincial Government in the Official Gazette in respect of any area, have in his possession or under his control, any essential article in excess of the normal quantity except under the authority of and in accordance with the conditions of a licence granted by an officer authorised by the Provincial Government in this behalf:

Provided that in respect of excess quantities such licence shall be granted against the cancellation of equivalent ration documents or parts thereof available for lawful use if a licence is sought by any person for retaining the excess quantities in possession against such cancellation.

(2) The restriction contained in sub-clause (1) shall not apply to the possession in the ordinary course of his business of any essential article by a person carrying on the business of a producer, dealer, manufacturer, carrier or warehouseman.

4. No person shall sell, transfer or otherwise dispose of any essential article to another person if he knows, or ought reasonably to be presumed to know, that by reason of such sale, transfer or disposal the quantity of such article which may lawfully be acquired by that other person will be exceeded.

4-A. If any person contravenes any of the provisions of clauses 3, 3-A and 4 of this Order then without prejudice to any other punishment to which he may be liable, any Court trying the offence may order that any stocks of essential articles together with packages and coverings, thereof in respect of which the Court is satisfied that the offence has been committed shall be forfeited to His Majesty.

5. The provisions of this Order shall have no application to any essential article acquired or disposed of by or on behalf of the Crown.

6. The Provincial Government may exempt any person from any or all the provisions of this Order.

SCHEDULE

1. Wheat and wheat products (including atta, maida, rawa, suji and bran);
2. Rice (including rice in husk) and rice products;
3. Jowar;
4. Bajra;
5. Barley (including barley in husk) and barley flour.

By order of the Governor of Bombay,
A. D. GORWALA,
Secretary to Government.

NOTIFICATIONS

Finance Department (Supply),
Bombay Castle, 20th June, 1945.

No. 181 (14A)|D.R.—In exercise of the powers conferred by sub-clause (3) of clause 1 of the Essential Articles Restricted Acquisition and Possession Order, 1943, the Government of Bombay is pleased to direct that the said Order shall come into force in the areas comprising the Belgaum Municipal Borough, the Cantonment of Belgaum and the Belgaum and Khasbag Villages lying outside the said Borough and Cantonment with effect from the 24th day of June 1945.

No. 181 (14A) (a)|D.R.—For the purpose of sub-clause (1) of clause 3 of the Essential Articles Restricted Acquisition and Possession Order, 1943, the Government of Bombay is pleased to authorise the Rationing Officer, Belgaum and the Assistant Rationing Officers under him in respect of the areas comprising the Belgaum Municipal Borough, the Cantonment of Belgaum and the Belgaum and Khasbag Villages lying outside the said Borough and Cantonment.

CLASS OF PERSONS.	QUANTITY
1	2
I Persons of the age of six years and above.	15 seers (by heaped measure) per head.
II. Children below six years of age.	7½ seers (by heaped measure) per head.
III. Holders of foodgrain ration permits issued under provisions of the Bombay Rationing Order, 1943.	7½ seers (by heaped measure) per unit specified on the ration permit.

No. 181 (14A) (c)|D.R.—In pursuance of the provisions of Sub-Clause (1) of clause 3A of the Essential Articles Restricted Acquisition and Possession Order, 1943, the Government of Bombay is pleased to authorise the Rationing Officer, Belgaum and the Assistant Rationing Officers under him for the purposes of the said sub-clause in respect of the areas comprising the Belgaum Municipal Borough, the Cantonment of Belgaum and the Belgaum and Khasbag Villages lying outside the said Borough and Cantonment.

No. 181 (14A) (d)|D.R.—In pursuance of the provisions of sub-clause (1) of clause 3A of the Essential Articles Restricted Acquisition and Possession Order, 1943, the Government of Bombay is pleased to notify the 22nd day of July 1945 as the date in respect of the areas comprising the Belgaum Municipal Borough, the Cantonment of Belgaum and the Belgaum and Khasbag Villages lying outside the said Borough and Cantonment.

No 181 (14A) (e)|D.R.—In pursuance of the Provisions of clause 6 of the Essential Articles Restricted Acquisition and Possession Order, 1943, the Government of Bombay is pleased to direct that the provisions of the said Order shall not apply to any person in respect of the stock of barley (including barley in husk) and barley flour held by him in the areas comprising the Belgaum Municipal Borough, the Cantonment of Belgaum and the Belgaum and Khasbag Villages lying outside the said Borough and Cantonment.

By order of the Governor of Bombay,
A. D. GORWALA,
Secretary to Government.
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PUBLIC NOTICES

APPLICATION OF THE ESSENTIAL ARTICLES RESTRICTED ACQUISITION AND POSSESSION ORDER, 1943, TO THE SHOLAPUR RATIONED AREA.

ORDER

Finance Department (Supply),
Bombay Castle, 19th January 1943.

ESSENTIAL ARTICLES RESTRICTED ACQUISITION AND POSSESSION ORDER, 1943.

No. 401-I—In exercise of the powers conferred by sub-rule (2) (a) of rule 81 of the Defence of India Rules, the Government of Bombay is pleased to make the following order, namely:—

1. (1) This Order may be called the Essential Articles Restricted Acquisition and Possession Order, 1943.

(2) It extends to the whole of the Province of Bombay.

(3) It shall come into force at once in the City of Bombay and the Bombay Suburban District and the Provincial Government may by notification in the Official Gazette direct that it shall come into force in any other part of the Province of Bombay on such date as it may by the notifications appoint.

2. In this Order unless there is anything repugnant in the subject or context —

(1) "Essential article" means any article included in the schedule to this Order.

(2) "Normal quantity" means in relation to the quantity of any essential article required by any person, such quantity as would be required for use and consumption in the household or establishment or of the animals in the custody of that person during a period of one month or such longer period as ought fairly to be allowed in view of the existence of any special circumstance:

Provided that in respect of any area the Provincial Government may by notification in the Official Gazette prescribe any special basis for determining the normal quantity and thereupon the normal quantity shall be reckoned in such area on the said basis, and for this purpose a householder in such area shall be deemed to require as his normal quantity the aggregate of the quantities reckoned on the said basis in respect of each member of his household including such servants as form part of the household.

3. (1) No person shall except under the authority of a licence granted by an officer authorised by the Provincial Government in this behalf, acquire any essential article if by so doing the quantity thereof in his possession or under his control shall exceed the normal quantity required by him.

(2) The restriction in sub-clause (1) shall not apply to such part of the quantity of any essential article in the possession or under the control of any person as has been acquired by him before the coming into force of this Order, provided that no person shall acquire any further quantity of any essential article if thereby the total quantity of such article in his possession or under his control exceeds the normal quantity required by him:

Provided that the foregoing restrictions shall not apply to the acquisition in the ordinary course of his business of any essential article by a person carrying on the business of a producer, dealer manufacturer, carrier or warehouse-man.

3-A. (1) No person shall, on and after such date as may be notified by the Provincial Government in the Official Gazette in respect of any area, have in his possession or under his control any essential article in excess of the normal quantity except under the authority of and in accordance with the conditions of a licence granted by an officer authorised by the Provincial Government in this behalf:

Provided that in respect of excess quantities such licence shall be granted against the cancellation of equivalent ration documents or part thereof available for lawful use if a licence is sought by any person for retaining the excess quantities in possession against such cancellation.

(2) The restriction contained in sub-clause (1) shall not apply to the possession in the ordinary course of his business of any essential article by a person carrying on the business of a producer, dealer, manufacturer, carrier or warehouseman.

4. No person shall sell, transfer or otherwise dispose of any essential article to another person if he knows, or ought reasonably to be presumed to know, that by reason of such sale, transfer or disposal the quantity of such article which may lawfully be acquired by that other person will be exceeded.

4-A. If any person contravenes any of the provisions of clauses 3, 3-A and 4 of this Order then without prejudice to any other punishment to which he may be liable, any Court trying the offence may order that any stocks of essential articles together with packages and coverings thereof, in respect of which the Court is satisfied that the offence has been committed shall be forfeited to His Majesty.

5. The provisions of this Order shall have no application to any essential article acquired or disposed of by or on behalf of the Crown.

6. The Provincial Government may exempt any person from any or all the provisions of this Order.

SCHEDULE

1. Wheat and wheat products (including atta, maida, rawa, suji and bran);
2. Rice (including rice in husk) and rice products;
3. Jowar;
4. Bajra;
5. Barley (including barley in husk) and barley flour.

By order of the Governor of Bombay,
A. D. GORWALA, Secretary to Government.

NOTIFICATIONS

Finance Department (Supply),
Bombay Castle, 20th June 1945.

No. 181(13A)|D.R.—In pursuance of the proviso to sub-clause (2) of clause 2 of the Essential Articles Restricted Acquisition and Possession Order, 1943, the Government of Bombay is pleased to direct that the rates specified in the Schedule hereto annexed shall be the basis for determining the normal quantity in the areas comprised within the limits of Sholapur Municipal Borough, the villages of Bale and Shelgi, the revenue village of Sholapur, the Survey Nos. 15-B, 8 and 12, and 9-B and 9-C of the Degaon Village known as Ganeshwadi, Kadadiwasti and Sherkhanwasti respectively and the Umedpur Settlement.

SCHEDULE

CLASS OF PERSONS	QUANTITY
I. Persons other than manual labourers of the age of six years and above.	15 seers (new) by measure per head
II. Child below the age of six years.	7½ seers (new) by measure per head
III. Manual labourers who are holders of supplementary ration cards or entitled to obtain supplementary ration otherwise than on ration document under the provisions of the Bombay Rationing Order, 1943.	22½ seers (new) by measure per head
IV. Manual labourers other than those falling under category III.	15 seers (new) by measure per head
V. Holders of foodgrain ration permits issued under the provisions of the Bombay Rationing Order, 1943.	7½ seers (new) by measure per unit specified on the ration permit.

No. 181 (13A)(a)|D.R.—In pursuance of the provisions of sub-clause (1) of clause 3-A of the Essential Articles Restricted Acquisition and Possession Order 1943, the Government of Bombay is pleased to authorise the Rationing Officer, Sholapur, and the Assistant Rationing Officers under him for the purposes of the said sub-clause in respect of the areas comprised within the Sholapur Municipal Borough, the villages of Bale and Shelgi, the revenue village of Sholapur, the Survey Nos. 15-B, 8 and 12, and 9-B and 9-C of the Degaon Village known as Ganeshwadi, Kadadiwasti and Sherkhanwasti respectively and the Umedpur Settlement.

No. 181(13A) (b)|D.R.—In pursuance of the provisions of sub-clause (1) of clause 3-A of the Essential Articles Restricted Acquisition and Possession Order, 1943, the Government of Bombay is pleased to notify the 25th day of July, 1945, as the date in respect of the areas comprised within the limits of Sholapur Municipal Borough, the village of Bale and Shelgi, the revenue village of Sholapur, the Survey Nos. 15-B, 8 and 12, 9-B and 9-C of the Degaon Village known as Ganeshwadi, Kadadiwasti and Sherkhanwasti respectively and Umedpur Settlement for the purposes of the said sub-clause.

No. 181(13A) (c)|D.R.—In pursuance of the provisions of clause 6 of the Essential Articles Restricted Acquisition and Possession Order, 1943, the Government of Bombay is pleased to direct that the provisions of the said Order shall not apply to any person in respect of the stock of barley (including barley in husk) and barley flour held by him in the areas comprised within the Sholapur Municipal Borough, the villages of Bale and Shelgi, the revenue village of Sholapur, the Survey Nos. 15-B, 8 and 12, 9-B and 9-C of the Degaon Village known as Ganeshwadi, Kadadiwasti and Sherkhanwasti respectively and the Umedpur Settlement.

By order of the Governor of Bombay,
A. D. GORWALA,
Secretary to Government.
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PUBLIC NOTICES

MEDICAL RECORDS SECTION R. I. N.

VACANCIES EXIST in the Medical Records Section, R. I. N. Depot, Bombay for Lower Division Clerks:

QUALIFICATIONS:—
Matriculates.

PAY:—Rs. 59-3-80 (E.B.)-4-120 plus Dearness, Conveyance and House Rent allowances where admissible.

Applications in own hand-writing together with copies of testimonials should be forwarded to:—

The OFFICER-IN-CHARGE, Medical Records Section, R.I.N. Depot, Bombay before 10-7-1945.

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NOTICE

DIRECTORATE GENERAL OF DISPOSALS

DISPOSALS DIRECTORATE

WITH REFERENCE to the sale notice which appeared in the issue of 24th instant, it is notified that the 15,894 sets consisting of a wooden box 10" x 5" x 3½" lined with felt and fitted to hold securely 8 glass stoppered, wide mouth, 2 oz. capacity glass bottles are complete with 8 empty bottles to a set. Rate should therefore be quoted for each set complete with 8 empty bottles.

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ORIENTAL GOVERNMENT SECURITY LIFE ASSURANCE COMPANY LIMITED,

Oriental Buildings,
Post Box No. 148,
Bombay.
18th June, 1945.

NOTICE HAVING BEEN GIVEN of the loss of Policy numbered 242872 on the life of Mr. Chintaman Keshavrao Kaluskar of Baroda, Duplicate Policy will be issued unless objection is lodged with us within one month from this date.

H. E. JONES,
Manager.

Bombay 29-6-1945.

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BOMBAY MUNICIPALITY

Hydraulic Engineer's Department.

NOTICE

TENDERS for the supply and erection of one chlorinating plant for chlorinating water mains at Futka Tank, Bombay, which are due for submission upto 1 P.M. (B.T.) on Friday, the 20th July, 1945, (as already advertised) will be received upto 1 P.M. (B. T.) on Wednesday, the 22nd day of August, 1945.

E. A. NADIRSHAH,
Hydraulic Engineer.
(3868)

G.I.P. RAILWAY

EMPLOYMENT NOTICE

WANTED CANDIDATES to fill 20 temporary posts of Wireless Operators pay Rs. 120|- (fixed). The following allowances are also at present admissible. Dearness Allowance at 17½% of pay. Bombay Allowance at 5% of pay. Local Allowance for staff stationed in Bombay 10% until quarters are provided on payment. Age should be not less than 18 years or more than 35 years on 20th July 1945 Qualifications—Candidates should be able to send and receive 18 (five letter) code groups per minute and be capable of taking entire charge of Low powered short wave wireless transmitters. Preference will be given to candidates who are in possession of 1st or 2nd class Competency Certificates issued by the Post & Telegraphs Department. Candidates should be fit generally and have the following sight standard—Distant vision as tested with Landolts split rings must be not less than 6|9 in one eye and 6|12 in the other, with or without glasses and the admissible Myopia not more than 4 D. Forms of application are obtainable from the Deputy Transportation Superintendent, "Telegraphs", G.I.P. Railway, Victoria Terminus Annexe, Bombay, on payment of Re. 1|- by Money Order only. Full name and address should be entered in block capital letters on the Money Order coupon. Last date for receipt of money order is 20th July, 1945. Candidates called for interview should attend entirely at their own expense. A call to attend the examination or interview will not imply offer of definite employment. The candidates will be required to furnish a certificate of character from a responsible person, together with copies of testimonials.

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PUBLIC NOTICES

GOVERNMENT OF INDIA

Department of Food (Division III)

APPLICATIONS ARE INVITED for the following temporary gazetted posts at the Dehydrated Meat Factories under the Department of Food (Division III).

I. DEPUTY DIRECTOR (FACTORIES) for a period of six months in the first instance. Pay Rs. 650-35-1,000-50-1,200.

QUALIFICATIONS:—Candidates should have good academic qualifications drive and efficiency and administrative experience. Preference will be given to candidates having Veterinary qualifications.

DUTIES:—Mainly to supervise the working of Meat Factories: considerable touring involved.

II. SUPERVISORS. (SIX). Pay Rs. 500-25-750. Higher initial start if qualifications and experience warrant it.

QUALIFICATIONS:—Candidates should possess a university degree and experience and ability in administration and also technical training and experience.

III. DEPUTY SUPERVISORS. Pay Rs. 350-20-450. Qualifications and experience generally the same as for supervisors.

IV. ASSISTANT SUPERVISORS. Pay Rs. 275-10-325. Qualifications and experience generally as for Deputy Supervisors.

The posts of supervisors Deputy and Assistant Supervisors will be for the duration of the war. Selected candidates will have to serve anywhere in India, wherever ordered. Those already in Government service should apply through proper channel. Applications stating age qualifications, experience community, present employment and salary drawn together with attested copies of certificates should reach the Secretary, Staff Selection Committee, Department of Food Jamnagar House, New Delhi, not later than 15th July 1945.

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NON-MATRICULATES REQUIRED AS TEMPORARY CLERKS FOR MILITARY ACCOUNTS DEPARTMENT.

CANDIDATES who have studied upto Matriculation or equivalent standard or who have High School education for at least 5 years are required as temporary clerks in the Military Accounts Department at Poona.

Employment is temporary subject to 24 hours notice on either side.

Initial pay Rs. 36|- p.m. in the scale of Rs. 36-3-60-2-70 plus Dearness Allowance as sanctioned by Central Government from time to time. Conveyance Allowance for journeys between residence and place of duty will be admissible under the same conditions as for other temporary clerks. No other allowances will be admissible.

These clerks will not be moved to any other stations. They will not be eligible for housing or house rent benefits.

The minimum age limit will be 16½ years.

Apply in writing or interview the undersigned personally as soon as possible with proofs of age and educational qualifications between 11 A.M. and 3 P.M. at his office in Block No. 9, H. Qrs., I.A.M.C., Koregaon Lines, near Race Course, Poona.

(Sd.) R. K. CHARI,
Deputy Field Controller of Mily. Accounts.
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GOVERNMENT OF INDIA

DEPARTMENT OF SUPPLY

Office of the Controller of Supplies (Disposals), Strand House, Graham Road, Ballard Estate, Bombay.
Dated the June, 1945.

TENDER NOTICE

TENDERS ARE INVITED for the purchase ex site of 1,12,000 half maund size bags available for disposal. The bags are packed in 112 bundles each containing about 11,000 bags and are available with Messrs. Tata Chemicals Ltd., Mithapore (Kathiawar).

The goods will be sold without guarantee of condition and the sale will be subject to the conditions of contract form Con. 117. Intending purchasers may inspect the material by previous appointment with the firm at Mithapore. No railway priority can be guaranteed for the movement of the goods from Mithapore to any other station and the goods will be sold ex site.

Offers in Tenderers own form should be accompanied by a deposit at call receipt for Rs. 200-0-0 deposited as money in Imperial or Reserve Bank of India or Government Treasury in favour of "Revenue Deposits." The cover should be superscribed "TENDER NO. CS|SYD|4330 SAND BAGS—due on 5th July, 1945" and should reach the above office not later than 4 p.m. on Thursday the 5th July, 1945. Offers should remain open for acceptance upto 20th July, 1945. Delivery of the stores will be ex site and removal should be completed by 5th August, 1945.

Tenderers will be at liberty to quote for the entire quantity of a portion thereof. Rates to be quoted should be per hundred.

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